#### **AGENDA**

#### Game, Fish, and Parks Commission

November 6-7, 2014 Ramada Inn 1301 West Russell Street, Sioux Falls, SD 57532

#### Call to order 1 PM CT

#### **Division of Administration**

Action items:

- Approve minutes of the October 2014 meeting http://gfp.sd.gov/agency/commission/docs/MinutesOct2014.pdf
- 2. Additional Commissioner Salary Days
- 3. License List Requests

#### Open Forum

#### 2 PM Public Hearing - Finalizations

- 4. Application Fee for Bighorn Sheep, Elk, and Mountain Goat
- 5. Spring Turkey Hunting Season
- 6. Use of bait during Spring Turkey Hunting Season
- 7. Marking of Zones-Spearing
- 8. General Fishing Provisions
- 9. Fish Limits and Paddlefish Snagging
- 10. Bait and Scientific Collectors

#### No Proposals

#### Petition

11. Spearfishing Petition

#### **Division of Parks and Recreation**

Action Items:

- 12. Oahe Marina and Resort
- Angostura/Shadehill seasonal cabin rent adjustment

#### Information items:

- 14. Spearfish Canyon land acquisition
- 15. Good Earth State Park
- 16. Custer State Park Visitor Center
- 17. Custer State Park Resort Master Plan
- 18. Parks Revenue Report
- 19. Miscellaneous updates

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#### **Division of Wildlife**

#### Action item:

20. Sage Grouse Management Plan

#### Information items:

- 21. Land acquisition update
- 22. License Sales Report
- 23. Lake Yankton fishery renovation
- 24. Management of shallow lake fisheries
- 25. Management of deer in Sioux Falls
- 26. Draft multi-year season setting schedule
- 27. Elk Management Plan Update
- 28. HuntSAFE instructor awards
- 29. WMI big game action plan update
- 30. Winter WAFWA meeting
- 31. Miscellaneous updates

#### 10 AM Friday morning - PWF Recognition

#### Adjourn

Next meeting information: December 11-12 at the Fort Pierre Holiday Inn Express

# Division of

# Administration

#### Minutes of the Game, Fish, and Parks Commission October 2-3, 2014

Chairman Cooper called the meeting to order at 1 p.m. at the Best Western Conference Center in Sturgis, South Dakota. Commissioners present were John Cooper, Cathy Peterson, Barry Jensen, Gary Jensen, H. Paul Dennert, Duane Sather, and Jim Spies. W. Scott Phillips was absent. GFP Department Secretary Jeff Vonk was present along with pubic, staff, and media numbering approximately sixty.

#### **DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION**

Approve minutes

Chairman Cooper called for any additions or corrections to the August 7 minutes or a motion for approval.

Motion by Peterson with second by Spies TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 7-8, 2014, MINUTES AS PRESENTED. Motion carried unanimously.

Additional Commissioner Salary Days

Cooper called for additional salary days. Gary Jensen requested two days for meetings in Rapid City, Peterson requested one day for the Parks and Wildlife Foundation meeting, and Cooper requested two days for Pheasant Habitat Working Groups and teaching at USD.

Motion by Spies with second by Gary Jensen TO APPROVE THE ADDITIONAL SALARY DAYS: TWO TWO FOR COOPER, FOR GARY JENSEN, AND ONE FOR PETERSON AS REQUESTED. Motion carried unanimously.

License list requests

Director Chris Petersen presented three license list requests at full fee for Commission consideration:

Gerard and Meg Zach owners of The Sausage Shark in New Effington, SD, requested a list of east river deer license holders in Roberts, Marshall, and Grant counties to mail a postcard advertising their game processing services.

Mark Bachmann of Seeley Clothing in Rapid City, SD, requested a list of resident and nonresident small game license holders to promote their line of Filson hunting clothing.

The Howard Hotel and Convention Center requested a list of 1,000 nonresident pheasant hunters of their availability for hotel rooms and conference facility.

Motion by Sather with second by Barry Jensen TO APPROVE THE THREE LICENSE LIST REQUESTS AS PRESENTED. Motion carried unanimously.

Director Petersen presented the 2015 Commission meeting schedule for consideration and approval. Petersen indicated the April and July meetings are Wednesday and Thursday meetings because of holidays and this is different from the usual Thursday and Friday meetings.

Motion by Dennert with second by Barry Jensen TO APPROVE THE 2015 MEETING SCHEDULE AS PRESENTED. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Parks and Wildlife Foundation

President Spencer Hawley of the South Dakota Parks and Wildlife Foundation (PWF) indicated they are working on 26 projects. The largest being the Governor's Outdoor Heritage project for development of the Good Earth State Park at Blood Run and its Visitor Center. PWF has a goal of \$6 million for the Good Earth State Park project with \$5.25 million already raised.

The PWF committed to raise \$1 million for the Governor's Heritage Project Custer State Park Visitor Center. Hawley stated the PWF has subsequently agreed to increase their commitment to \$3 million. Hawley shared representatives from the Black Hills Parks and Forestry Association were present to deliver a check for \$2,000 to the PWF for the Custer State Park Visitors Center.

Hawley stated the PWF already hast \$100,000 on hand to pay for the Environmental Impact Study for the Governor's Outdoor Legacy Project Mickelson Trail Extension to Mount Rushmore and will assist with additional fundraising when the time comes to build the extension. Hawley indicated two bridges were repaired on the Mickelson Trail this year. The PWF continues to manage property for the Adams Nature Area and raise endowment funds for management of the property when it is transferred to the Parks Division in the future. The PWF sponsored a dinner for the Governor's Pheasant Habitat Working Group in September.

#### **OPEN FORUM**

Representative Betty Olson of Prairie City, SD, stated her desire to hunt lions with dogs outside the Black Hills Fire Protection District and that she sponsored a House Bill in 2014 that was barely killed in the Senate. She wants the right to protect property year round with the use of hounds. Olson believes the Commission has the rule making authority to do this.

Dan Hotchkiss of Reva, SD, ranches in Harding County and stated that on August 25<sup>th</sup> his 80-year old mother, who has a fenced yard, saw a mountain lion attack her cocker spaniel. Hotchkiss was quarter of a mile away and would have liked to use dogs to track the lion in the knee high grass. Hotchkiss stated that on Sept 19 the lion was back and killed a deer about a quarter mile from the house with 25 colts in the area. He is very concerned and needs assistance to hunt these lions.

Brad Tisdall of Rapid City, SD, representing the South Dakota Houndsmen Association indicated he gets calls every month about lions and wants to know what can be done. The group wants to be able to assist landowners in tracking the lions and this would be at no cost to the Department. Tisdall indicated he is excited about the dog hunts in CSP and likes the way it is set up; and thanked the Commission for changing

the rules. He also said that he supports rules that prohibit the use of dogs in the Black Hills outside of CSP because allowing dogs would ruin mountain lion hunting. Discussion included season parameters for hunting with dogs in Wyoming and how to hunt with dogs while respecting property lines.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING - FINALIZATIONS**

#### **Public Hearing Minutes**

Public Hearing Officer Emily Kiel began the public hearing at 2 p.m. by indicating there were no written comments received for Finalization of the Park Lodge and Camping Occupancy Fees. Kiel invited the attending public to come forward to share their comments with the Commission; no oral testimony was received and public hearing closed 2:01 PM.

#### Park Lodge and Camping Cabin Occupancy Fee 41:03:04

Parks Director Bob Schneider presented the proposed changes to Camping Permits and Rules with no recommended changes to proposal.

Motion by Dennert with second by Sather TO FINALIZE CHANGES TO CAMPING PERMITS AND RULES 41:03:04 AS PROPOSED. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **PROPOSALS**

#### Application fee for Bighorn Sheep, Elk, and Mountain Goat

Wildlife Director Tony Leif indicated the Department introduced and supported a bill to allow the GFP Commission to modify the nonrefundable application fee from \$5 to \$10. The bill passed during the 2014 Legislative Session. The additional revenue generated will go to management of bighorn sheep, elk, and mountain goat and includes the elk depredation program. Discussion included the fees surrounding states charge and how this fee is different from application fees.

Adjust the nonrefundable application fee for elk, mountain goat, and bighorn sheep from \$5 to \$10.

Motion by Spies with second by Sather TO PROPOSE CHANGES TO LICENSES FORMS AND FEES AS RECOMMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Tom Kirschenmann presented the Waterfowl Hunting Season Spring Light Goose Conservation Order with the 2015 dates, open area, daily and possession limits, and requirements and restrictions. Kirschenmann indicated there are no recommended changes from last year and no action was taken.

#### **Custer State Park Spring Wild Turkey Hunting Season**

Kirschenmann presented the season dates, licenses, requirements, and restrictions for the Custer State Park Spring Wild Turkey Hunting Season with no recommended changes. Supportive information included harvest, success, and population of turkeys in the CSP and the Black Hills. No action was required or taken.

#### **Spring Wild Turkey Hunting Season**

Chief Kirschenmann presented the season dates, licenses, access permits, requirements, and restrictions along with recommended changes. Supportive information included harvest, success rates, maps, and license allocation information.

- Offer residents 85 less one-tag "male turkey" licenses and 340 less two-tag "male turkey" licenses for the Prairie Units than 2014 for an overall decrease of 765 tags. Offer nonresidents 10 more one-tag "male turkey" licenses and 28 less two-tag "male turkey" licenses for the Prairie Units than 2014 for an overall decrease of 46 tags.
- 2. Correct unit boundary descriptions for BST-BH1 (Black Hills) and PST-49A (Perkins County). These corrections to administrative rule will not result in any unit boundary changes.
- 3. Remove the archery restriction west of Interstate 29 in Brookings County.
- 4. Remove the split seasons in Clay and Union counties.
- 5. Add Lincoln County to the restricted area where a person may use only a shotgun using shot shells, muzzleloading shotgun, or bow and arrow.
- 6. Reduce the number of archery turkey access permits valid for Good Earth State Park from 10 to 5
- 7. Repeal Unit PST-ZZ1.

Motion by Peterson with second by Sather TO PROPOSE CHANGES TO THE SPRING WILD TURKEY HUNTING SEASON AS RECOMMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Use of bait during Spring Turkey Hunting Seasons

Assistant Director Arden Petersen presented a recommendation prohibiting the baiting of turkeys in the spring from March 15 to May 31; inclusive, with the exception for research conducted by the Department. Bait stations are not necessary to sustain healthy big game populations and can create vulnerability for opportunistic poaching of big game animals and tend to alter the natural movement patterns of big game animals.

Amend **41:06:04:03** to prohibit the baiting of turkeys in the spring and create an exception for research activities conducted by the department.

Motion by Barry Jensen with second by Gary Jensen TO PROPOSE CHANGES TO HUNTING REQUIREMENTS AND PROHIBITED METHODS AS RECOMMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Fishing Regulations - Marking of Zones

Chief John Lott presented the recommended change to Marking of Zones to modify the size of the diver-down flag and diver-down flags are not to be placed in areas that will restrict watercraft navigation as this is a safety issue. The standard size diverdown flag of surrounding states is 12x15 and the flags available in many diver shops are larger than 12x15.

1. **41:04:01:08. "Diver-down flag requirements.**" Modify by changing diver-down flag size requirements and restrict diver-down flags from being placed in areas that would restrict watercraft navigation.

#### Fishing Regulations - Spearing

Aquatics Chief Lott presented recommended changes to spearing regulations with supporting information. Recommended changes will open some additional waters and opportunity for spearing and archery anglers; require that all fish taken by spearing and archery be taken into possession; clarify that harvest restrictions in place for game fish species apply to all methods of take and in combination; and repeal a rule that is already in South Dakota Codified Law.

- 2. 41:07:06:03. "Areas open to spearing of game fish Additional permit required." Modify to (a) add text to clarify the area in which game fish may be speared on Lake Sharpe, (b) add Shadehill Reservoir to the areas open to the spearing of game fish, (c) allow for the spearing of northern pike and catfish from all inland lakes (with limited exceptions) and the Grand River below Shadehill Reservoir downstream to the Perkins-Corson county line year round, (d) allow the spearing of northern pike and catfish from all South Dakota-Minnesota boundary water lakes from November 15 through the last Sunday of February, inclusive.
- 3. **41:07:06:06. "Limits."** to require that all fish taken with legal spear, speargun or bow and arrow must be taken into possession by the person spearfishing and to clarify that all harvest restrictions in effect for a species apply to all methods of take.
- 4. **41:07:06:08. "Use of diver-down flag."** by repealing it and placing modified diver-down flag requirements in 41:04:01:08.

Motion by Gary Jensen with second by Sather TO PROPOSE CHANGES TO MARKING OF ZONES AND SPEARING AS RECOMMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Fishing Regulations - General Provisions

Chief Lott presented three changes to General Provisions to modify definition of terms, artificial lights, and allow for liberalized take of silver carp and bighead carp that jump into a boat or netted from the air using a dip net.

- Modify 41:07:01:01. "Definition of terms." to update references in (5) Inland waters, (b) add definition of snag hook and modify "snagging" definition accordingly.
- 2. Add 41:07:01:06. "Artificial lights."
- 3. Modify 41:07:01:17. "Liberalized take of smelt and lake herring." to allow for the liberalized take of silver carp and bighead carp that jump into a boat or that can be netted from the air using a dip net.

Motion by Barry Jensen with second by Dennert TO PROPOSE CHANGES TO FISHING GENERAL PROVISIONS AS RECOMMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Fishing Regulations - Fish Limits

Chief Lott recommended changes to fish limits along the Nebraska border waters on channel catfish from five daily to ten fish daily and an increase in the possession limit from ten to twenty fish to coincide with the Nebraska regulations. Lott included a recommendation to correct the county references for Hanson and Curlew Lakes.

- 1. Modify **41:07:03:02.01. "South Dakota-Nebraska boundary waters."** by changing channel catfish limits on Nebraska border waters.
- 2. Modify 41:07:03:03. "Daily, possession, and length limit restrictions on special management waters -- Additional restrictions described." to correct county references for Hanson and Curlew Lakes.

#### Fishing Regulations - Paddlefish Snagging

Lott presented the recommended change to clarify measurement of paddlefish as paddlefish are measured with a flexible tape along and over the center line contour of the fish, lying flat including from the entire eye to the notch in the natural unaltered fork of the tail.

3. Modify 41:07:05.03 "Paddlefish snagging, processing, and transportation restrictions." to clarify the measurement of paddlefish.

Motion by Peterson with second by Sather TO PROPOSE CHANGES TO FISH LIMITS AND PADDLEFISH SNAGGING AS RECOMMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Fish Regulations - Bait

Chief John Lott presented a modification to prohibit the harvest of mussels for noncommercial purposes.

1. Modify **41:09:04:03.** "Waters closed to taking of bait." to prohibit the harvest of mussels for noncommercial purposes.

#### Fishing Regulations - Scientific Collectors

Chief Lott presented changes to scientific collectors application for license and conditions of license to require additional information.

- Modify 41:09:16:02. "Application for license." to require listing all wild animal (including amphibians, reptiles, and invertebrates, and parts thereof) specimen collection requests on applications for scientific collector's permits.
- 3. Modify **41:09:16:03.** "Conditions of license." to add all wild animals (including amphibians, reptiles, and invertebrates, and parts thereof) to the list of specimens for which limits on the number of specimens and special conditions and provisions can be established.

Motion by Gary Jensen with second by Spies TO PROPOSE CHANGES TO SCIENTIFIC COLLECTORS AS PRESENTED. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Cooper called a recess at 2:33 p.m. and meeting resumed at 2:50 p.m.

#### **DIVISION OF WILDLIFE**

Wildlife Director Tony Leif presented the Division of Wildlife Distinguished Achievement Award to Eric Krebs for his outstanding contributions as Conservation Technician at the McNenny Hatchery.

#### **Antelope Management Plan**

Chief Tom Kirschenmann presented and outlined adjustments to the Antelope Management Plan and asked for questions or formal adoption of the plan.

Motion by Sather with second by Barry Jensen TO APPROVE THE ANTELOPE MANAGEMENT PLAN AS MODIFIED. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Sage Grouse Management Plan

Chief Kirschenmann outlined the cooperative level of all interested agencies to keep the Greater Sage Grouse off the federal endangered species list. States were asked to update or create a Sage Grouse Management Plan. GFP has updated the plan with Harding and Butte counties having the greatest population of sage grouse in SD and landowners were involved in the update. Cooper talked about the Black Tail Prairie Dog Plan and the challenges it contained and this sage grouse situation is similar to that endeavor. The black tail prairie dog efforts were successful in keeping them off the endangered species list and the extra effort was well spent to keep landowners informed and engaged. Cooper wants to be sure the landowners have adequate time to review the plan and have plenty of opportunity to comment on final plan.

Kirschenmann indicated GFP took the approach to work with landowners to adjust land management to benefit the greater-sage grouse. Kirschenmann shared the spring lek counts, weather events, and that disease and natural mortality has an effect on the grouse population and that the Department can explore an avenue where landowners could report local events to the Department. Cooper requested that information from local reporting of local events be included in the management plan. Vonk shared that the Bureau of Land Management has indicated their plan will be ready next summer and it will be ok to wait until November to approve the GFP updated Sage Grouse Management Plan. Kirschenmann indicated a sage grouse research project is scheduled for next year.

#### Land acquisition update

Paul Coughlin indicated the Commissioners were able to visit the Hydro #2 site in Spearfish Canyon this morning and this may be an action item at the December Commission meeting.

#### License Sales Report

Chief Scott Simpson indicated that most fishing sales are completed by the September 1st and resident fishing sales held steady with nonresident fishing sales up about 12% from last year. Pheasant and small game sales will begin to pick up next week due to the Pheasant Opener on October 18<sup>th</sup>. Sales of nonresident licenses on the Friday before the opener are made at the rate of one about every three to four seconds.

#### Free Senior Fishing licenses for 85 years and older

Secretary Vonk provided background on a bill introduced in the 2014 Legislative Session to allow for a free fishing license for residents 85 years and older. A representative indicated he voted against the bill because he believed the GFP Commission has the authority to do this and was the appropriate venue to have the

discussion. Vonk stated the Department opposed this bill because GFP provides services based on license sales and the federal dollars from excise taxes. In 2014, \$7 million was budged to operate fish activities with \$1.7 used for hatcheries; and no state general dollars are used for fish and wildlife management. In 2013, about 19,000 senior fishing licenses for residents 65 or older were sold at \$12; this is discounted by 60% from the normal fishing license of \$28. It is estimated that 700-800 of the senior licenses sold are 85 or older and this would have a direct revenue loss of \$8-9,000. In addition, each license sold for fishing brings in about \$35 federal excise tax and this would have an annual impact of \$40,000 to the Department. Therefore, the Department is opposed to "free" licenses and believes the public gets good value and opportunity for their license fee.

#### Stream fishery management

Fisheries Biologist Jake Davis had a PowerPoint Presentation on Stream Fisheries Management that included what and how information is collected for fish population recruitment, growth, and mortality. Habitat information included stream flow, water temperature, and water productivity. Davis identified types of people that use fisheries resources and included examples of fish harvest; and angler satisfaction information. Management options include fish population, harvest, and habitat manipulation along with stocking and regulations.

#### Atlantic salmon update

Geno Adams provided a PowerPoint Presentation providing history and survey information of salmon in Lake Oahe. The creel survey and online survey information results about stocking Atlantic salmon in Lake Oahe indicated support for the project. A source of eggs has been identified. A pilot study will begin shortly to determine how well GFP can raise Atlantic salmon in its hatcheries and any fish raised in the pilot study will be stocked in Lake Oahe in 2016.

#### Pheasant habitat working group report

Secretary Vonk provided a review of the eight recommendations from the Governor's Habitat Work Group report that was released on Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> by Governor Daugaard. The Department will continue to be active in facilitating a meeting with conservation partners for improving habitat management; assist with establishing a long-term conservation fund; assist in drafting a letter to U. S. Congressional staff for an increase of the federal Duck Stamp from \$15 to \$25; and support "Habitat Pays" education in existing publications. The Department of Agriculture has the lead to work with producers for a Conservation Certification Program; and to assist with the process to have all of South Dakota eligible for crop insurance on winter wheat. The Department of Transportation will begin discussions with their Commission to revisit mowing of public rights-of-ways. The Governor's office will work the School and Public Lands for the possible implementation of land management practices in leases with producers.

Motion by Gary Jensen with second by Spies TO DRAFT A LETTER FROM THE COMMISSION TO GOVERNOR DAUGAARD FOR HIS EFFORTS WITH THE PHEASANT HABITAT SUMMIT AND WORK GROUP. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Deer hunter opinion survey

Dr. Cynthia Longmire indicated a survey was sent to 6,000 deer applicants. Surveys were distributed to a random sample of 3,000 landowners that applied for deer licenses; and 3,000 applicants who did not apply for landowners preference. The survey was sent by email and a second reminder was sent earlier this week. The final email reminder is scheduled for Monday. A hard copy of the survey will be mailed to those who did not respond to emails with a reminder seven days later; then ten days later, about November 3<sup>rd,</sup> a third mailing will be sent to those who have not responded. The analysis of the survey will begin the third full week in November with preliminary results available for the December Commission meeting. The goal is to get the highest number of responses possible for the analysis. Discussion included the estimated cost of survey, landowner participation, and will the report include differences between landowners' and non-landowners' perspectives.

#### WMI big game action plan update

Communications Manager Emily Kiel began the WMI report with enhancements of electronic media including effectiveness and layout of the website.

Chief Kirschenmann provided the WMI update on enhancing staff training for surveys and protocols; re-evaluate mountain lion population estimate and survey methods for 2015; survey protocols and methods; deer and pronghorn composition surveys; and Commission guidance to the Department on seasons, regulations, and multi-year schedule.

#### Miscellaneous updates

Aquatic Section Chief John Lott indicated that a quagga mussels, called veligers had been sampled in Angostura Reservoir by the Bureau of Reclamation and introduced Aquatic Invasive Species Coordinator Mike Smith. Smith provided a PowerPoint Presentation to help answer questions that may come from the public. The presentation included the physical characteristic of zebra and quagga mussels, their life cycle as compared to native mussels, possible pathways to South Dakota, and current distribution across the United States. Smith provided information on future plans to address the current situation in the Angostura reservoir and the plan for education and outreach. Action includes increasing monitoring, adult sampling, boat checks, and the possible use of divers to search for adult mussels.

Chairman Cooper called for a recess at 5:30 p.m. and meeting would resume at 8 a.m. the next morning with Executive Session. The Executive Session would take about an hour.

The Commission meeting resumed at 8 a.m. on Friday, October 3, at the same location with Commissioners Cooper, Peterson, Spies, Barry Jensen, Gary Jensen, Sather, and Dennert present. Secretary Vonk was present with staff and public numbering about ten.

Motion by Peterson with second by Gary Jensen TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO SDCL 1-25-2(3) TO CONSULT WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

ABOUT PENDING LITIGATION ON CONTRACTUAL MATTERS. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

The Executive Session began at 8:01 a.m. with Commissioners Cooper, Peterson, Spies, Barry Jensen, Gary Jensen, Sather, and Dennert present. Scott Phillips was absent. Secretary Vonk was present along with Department Attorney Richard Neil, Attorney Paul Bachand, Parks Director Doug Hofer, Concession Manager Sean Blanchette, Al Nedved, Jeff VanMeeteren, and Debra Ascher.

The Lewis and Clark Marina Settlement Agreement and Prospectus details were reviewed and discussed. Bachand and VanMeeteren left the Executive Session at 8:59 a.m. and Director Hofer briefed the Commission about potential litigation. Bachand returned at 9:30 a.m. with an update.

Motion by Peterson with second by Barry Jensen TO END THE EXECUTIVE SESSION. Motion carried unanimously and the Executive Session ended at 9:40 a.m.

Cooper called for a ten minute recess. The meeting resumed at 9:51 a.m. with Commissioners present and public, staff and media numbering about twenty.

#### DIVISION OF PARKS AND RECREATION

#### Lewis and Clark Marina Sale

Hofer introduced Paul Bachand Attorney for the Department, who proposed revisions to the Settlement Agreement and Prospectus both of which require Commission approval. Bachand indicated he and Staff Attorney Richard Neill met with the Lewis and Clark Marina owner Russ Marsh and his attorney in September to negotiate revisions to the Settlement agreement as well as terms of the prospectus to be re-issued in the effort to secure a new operator for the Marina. The current concessionaire intends to operate in 2015 unless a new operator is approved by the Commission prior to the 2015 marina operating season.

Bachand presented the negotiated revised terms to the Settlement Agreement as follows: 1) sale price of the Marina is reduced from \$3,037,000 to \$2,937,000; 2) required hours of operation for 2015 will remain as they exist in the current Concession Agreement; 3) amount of reimbursement to Marsh for improvements made to Government Facilities will not reduce and will remain at \$63,000. Bachand then proposed revisions to the Prospectus terms as follows: 1) Advertised sale price will be \$2,937,000; 2) Franchise Fees will be established at \$42,000 annual base rent PLUS 7% for all Gross Receipts in excess of \$700,000 less restaurant sales PLUS 5% on Restaurant gross receipts; 3) Repair and Maintenance reserve will be established at 2% for all Gross Receipts less fuel sales and restaurant sales PLUS 1.5% on fuel sales and restaurant gross receipts.

Motion by Peterson with second by Gary Jensen TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT TO AMEND THE LEWIS AND CLARK MARINA SETTLEMENT

AGREEMENT AS PROPOSED; AND FURTHER AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT TO ISSUE AND ADVERTISE A PROSPECTUS FOR LEWIS AND CLARK MARINA WITH THE REVISED TERMS AS PROPOSED. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **Custer State Park Private Cabin Transfer**

Custer State Park Supervisor Matt Snyder provided background on privately owned cabins within the boundaries of Custer State Park and presented two Resolutions that require Commission approval for transfer of ownership.

Snyder indicated Don Charles Eibert passed away leaving his cabin to Donna Crossman and Charles Eibert. Snyder has visited with both parties explaining the conditions of transfer and the need for Commission approval of Resolution 14-11.

Motion by Barry Jensen with second by Sather TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 14-11 AS PRESENTED (Appendix A). Motion carried unanimously.

Matt Snyder indicated Allen Wilson passed away leaving his cabin to Stephen Wilson and presented Resolution 14-12 for Commission consideration. Snyder visited with Stephen Wilson about the conditions of transfer and the need for Commission approval.

Motion by Spies with second by Dennert TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 14-12 AS PRESENTED (Appendix B). Motion carried unanimously.

#### Good Earth State Park

Director Doug Hofer provided background about the archeological survey process required before building the Good Earth Visitors Center. Hofer stated complete schematics have been developed by HDR and Splitrock Studios. Hofer indicated that the plow zone was removed at the proposed visitor center site so that archeologists could survey the site to determine if any cultural resources exist in that location. Hofer showed slides of the process where archeologists, staff, and tribal members were present for the survey. Dark trenches in the clay soil were discovered and are believed to be man-made more than 1,000 years ago. A similar finding was made last year in lowa. This discovery may necessitate a new location be determined for the visitor center at Good Earth State Park.

Director Hofer and staff will be meeting with the State Historic Preservation Officer, the National Park Service, and tribes involved in consultation process to discuss impacts on the location of the new visitor center. A determination will also need to be made as to how to preserve what has been discovered which will likely include covering it back up with black dirt and reseeding native grasses over this three acre site.

#### 2015 CSP Resort Repair & Maintenance Program

Doug Hofer reminded the Commission of the CSP Resort Master Plan that was presented to the Commission at their May 2013 meeting. An updated master plan will be ready for the November Commission meeting.

Custer Resorts Manager Josh Schmaltz highlighted the larger Repair and Maintenance projects completed at each resort in 2014. Schmaltz indicated that 2014 was a good year at CSP Resorts with occupancy rates higher than last year.

Custer State Park Regional Supervisor Matt Snyder indicated visitor numbers were down in the park this year during the Sturgis Rally but he is seeing more trailers coming into the park bringing their bikes. Snyder stated that next year will be the 75<sup>th</sup> Sturgis Rally and he anticipates increased numbers for that week next year. It will also be the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for the Buffalo Roundup and the American Bus Association has named the Roundup its top event for 2015.

Snyder reported the 2014 Buffalo Roundup had about the 14,000 attendees. The weather was warm; however, visitors enjoyed the nice weather. The arts festival began on Friday afternoon for the weekend and went well.

#### **Revenue and Camping Report**

Director Doug Hofer handed out the revenue report indicating Parks Entrance License sales are up about two percent and camping revenue was up seventeen percent. An increase in the camping fees in 2014 was responsible for much of the increase in camping revenue. Revenue in the northeast showed the most growth. Total park revenue is up about ten percent over last year and camping use was up about three percent with the possibly of going over 300,000 camping units by year end.

There was a discussion about the pheasant population across the state and the Commissioniers thanked Kirschenmann for the book <u>A History of Waterfowl</u> <u>Management, Research, and Hunting in South Dakota</u>.

#### Adjourn

Gary Jensen made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Barry Jensen second the motion and meeting adjourned at 10:49 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey R. Vonk, Department Secretary

#### Appendix A

#### **RESOLUTION 14-11**

WHEREAS, the Game, Fish, and Parks Commission has been advised that Don Charles Eibert is the record owner of a cabin located in Custer State Park (Custer County) on property described as:

No. 2 Pine Crest in the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of the Southwest Quarter (SW ¼) of Section Twelve (12), Township Four (4) South, Range Five (5) East, of the Black Hills Meridian, Custer County, South Dakota; and

WHEREAS, the property upon which the cabin is located is owned by the South Dakota Department of Game, Fish, and Parks and has been leased to Don Charles Eibert by permit by reason of a Stipulation of Settlement and Dismissal entered in <u>Craft v. Wipf</u>, Civil Action No. 85-5092, U.S. District Court for the District of South Dakota, Western Division, and subsequent agreements and PERMITs executed thereafter based on said Stipulation and Dismissal; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has been advised that as a result of the death of Don Charles Eibert on or about March 20, 2013, all of his interest in and to said cabin and cabin site permit transferred to his heirs, Donna Eibert Crossman, 711 Balboa Ave., Coronado, CA 92118, and Charles Eibert, 4 W. Cork St. #1, Winchester, VA 22601; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has been requested to approve said Transfer and Assignment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in the event the Department receives an executed Agreement and Assignment of the cabin site permit and cabin and appurtenances located thereon and which further provides that said Assignee agrees to abide by all of the terms and conditions of the aforementioned Stipulation of Settlement and Dismissal and all subsequent agreements relative thereto, including but not limited to Cabin Site Permits, Addendums, and all agreements relative to establishing the lease or rental payments due the Department, then in that event, the Department is authorized to execute a Consent to the requested Assignment.

#### Appendix B

#### **RESOLUTION 14-12**

WHEREAS, the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks Commission has been advised that Allen G. Wilson is the owner of a cabin located in Custer State Park (Custer County) on property described as:

No. 6 Pine Crest in the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of the Southwest Quarter (SW1/4) of Section Twelve (12), Township Four (4) South Range Five (5) East, of the Black Hills Meridian, Custer County, South Dakota; and;

WHEREAS, the property upon which the cabin is located is owned by the South Dakota Department of Game, Fish, and Parks and has been leased to Allen G. Wilson by permit by reason of a Stipulation of Settlement and Dismissal entered in Craft v. Wipf, Civil Action No. 85-5092, U.S. District Court for the District of South Dakota, Western Division, and subsequent agreements and PERMITs executed thereafter based on said Stipulation and Dismissal; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has been advised that prior to his death on or about October 25, 2013, Allen G. Wilson transferred and assigned all of his interest in and to said cabin and cabin site permit to his son, Stephen L. Wilson, 325 Transit Avenue, Roseville, MN 55113; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has been requested to approve said Transfer and Assignment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in the event the Department receives an executed Agreement and Assignment of the cabin site permit and cabin and appurtenances located thereon and which further provides that said Assignee agrees to abide by all of the terms and conditions of the aforementioned Stipulation of Settlement and Dismissal and all subsequent agreements relative thereto, including but not limited to Cabin Site Permits, Addendums, and all agreements relative to establishing the lease or rental payments due the Department, then in that event, the Department is authorized to execute a Consent to the requested Assignment.

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# REQUEST FOR LISTS OF LICENSE HOLDERS

| Application                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| Type of List Requested Game Farms - Phesant Preserve                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Number of licenses in list All, flease                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Name of Person, Entity, or Organization requesting list: Reel Clean Co.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Address of Person, Entity, or Organization:  Po Bak 90026 Shout Falls 5.0. 57106                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| How would you like your list sent to you: (email or disk) Both if Possible                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| if not email                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Email Address: dennis @/ KSTINKD. Com                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Phone Number (005-321-4687                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Purpose for which list will be used:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| New organic Product line                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| This list is Names and Mailing Addresses ONLY  The sale of lists by the Department of Game, Fish & Parks is authorized by SDCL 1-27-1 and ARSD 41:06:02:04, 05 and 06. The fee for a Game, Fish & Parks Commission approved exception is \$100, otherwise the fee is \$100 per thousand names or a minimum of \$100 whichever is greater. |
| Unless requested and approved as part of this request, the license list will not include anyone under eighteen years of age. Names are for <u>one-time use only</u> and are to be used only by the person, entity or organization approved per this request.                                                                              |
| Authorized Signature of Purchaser Date                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Date Date                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Date of Commission Action                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

# Rules for

# Finalization



#### License Forms and Fees Chapter 41:06:02

Commission Meeting Dates: Proposal October 2-3, 2014 Sturgis
Public Hearing November 6, 2014 Sioux Falls
Finalization November 6-7, 2014 Sioux Falls

#### COMMISSION PROPOSAL

Nonrefundable application fee:

Archery and rifle elk - \$10 Mountain Goat - \$10 Bighorn Sheep - \$10

#### Proposed changes from last year:

1. Adjust the nonrefundable application fee for elk, mountain goat, and bighorn sheep from \$5 to \$10.

#### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

Recommended changes from proposal: None.

#### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

When a hunter submits an application for elk, mountain goat, and bighorn sheep, the Game, Fish, and Parks Commission may include a nonrefundable application fee by state law (41-6-19.6). During the 2014 Legislative Session, the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks introduced an amendment which would allow the Commission to modify the nonrefundable fee from a rate of \$5 established in 1987 up to \$10. Additional revenue generated from the nonrefundable application fee will be used in the management of these big game species, in particular the Department's elk depredation program.

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#### Spring Wild Turkey Hunting Season

Chapter 41:06:13

**Commission Meeting Dates:** 

Proposal Public Hearing

**Finalization** 

October 2-3, 2014 November 6, 2014 November 6-7, 2014 Sturgis Sioux Falls Sioux Falls

#### **COMMISSION PROPOSAL**

Season Dates: April 4 – May 17, 2015 Archery

April 11 - May 17, 2015 Black Hills regular and single-season Prairie units

April 11 – April 30, 2015 Split-season early Prairie units

May 1 – May 17, 2015 Split-season late Prairie units; Black Hills late season

Licenses: Black Hills: Unlimited resident and nonresident one-tag "male turkey" licenses

Prairie: 5,449 resident and 219 nonresident one-tag "male turkey" licenses

1,830 resident and 147 nonresident two-tag "male turkey" licenses

Archery: Unlimited resident and nonresident one-tag "male turkey" licenses

Access Permits: Access permits valid April 4-30

Good Earth State Park: 5 archery turkey access permits

Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve: 10 archery turkey access permits

#### Requirements and Restrictions:

- 1. Turkey hunters may apply for and receive one license in each of the Black Hills regular season, Black Hills late season, Prairie, and Archery Units in the first and second lottery drawings.
- 2. Turkey hunters may purchase only one regular Black Hills and one archery turkey license.
- 3. Residents may purchase one late Black Hills late season license.
- 4. One-half of the licenses in each prairie unit are available for landowner/operator preference.
- 5. Prairie units adjoining the White River and Cheyenne River also include an adjacent area one mile wide on the opposite side of the river.
- 6. No person may shoot a turkey in a tree or roost.
- 7. A person may use only bow and arrow, a shotgun using shot shells or a muzzleloading shotgun in state parks and recreation areas within prairie units; units (01A, 06A, 08A, 08B, 22A, 23A, 29A, 32A, 37A, 40A, 44A, 44B, 48A, 52A, 56A, 61A) in eastern SD; and in the portion of Unit 58A lying south of Oahe Dam, east of SD Highway 1806 and north of U.S. Highway 14 except as posted by the Corps of Engineers and GFP.

#### Proposed changes from last year:

- 1. Offer residents 85 less one-tag "male turkey" licenses and 340 less two-tag "male turkey" licenses for the Prairie Units than 2014 for an overall decrease of 765 tags. Offer nonresidents 10 more one-tag "male turkey" licenses and 28 less two-tag "male turkey" licenses for the Prairie Units than 2014 for an overall decrease of 46 tags.
- 2. Correct unit boundary descriptions for BST-BH1 (Black Hills) and PST-53A (Perkins County). These corrections to administrative rule will not result in any unit boundary changes.

#### Unit BST-BH1:

that portion of Lawrence County south of Interstate 90; that portion of Meade County south and west of a line beginning at the junction of the Butte-Meade County line and State Highway 79, then southerly along State Highway 79 to State Highway 34, then easterly along State Highway 34 to Alkali Road, then easterly along Alkali Road approximately 9 miles to its junction with Middle Alkali Road, then southerly along Middle Alkali Road approximately 15 miles to Elk Creek Road, then easterly along Elk Creek Road approximately 2 miles to North Haines Avenue, then southerly along North Haines Avenue to the junction of Haines Avenue and the Meade-Pennington County line; that portion of Pennington County west of Haines Avenue from the Meade-Pennington County line to Rapid City and that portion west of State Highway 79 from Rapid City to the Custer County line; that portion of Custer County, excluding Custer State Park, west of State Highway 79; that portion of Fall



River County west and north of a line beginning at the junction of the Custer-Fall River County line and State Highway 79, then southerly along State Highway 79 to its junction with U.S. Highway 18 and 385 at Maverick Junction, then southerly along U.S. Highway 18 and 385 to its junction with the Chevenne River, then westerly along the Chevenne River to its junction with U.S. Highway 18 at Edgemont, then westerly along U.S. Highway 18 to the South Dakota-Wyoming border, excluding Custer State Park, Wind Cave National Park, Mount Rushmore National Memorial, and Jewel Cave National Monument, that portion of Lawrence County south of Interstate 90; that portion of Custer County west of State Highway 79; that portion of Fall River County north and west of a line beginning at the junction of the South Dakota-Wyoming border and U.S. Highway 18, then easterly along U.S. Highway 18 to its junction with the Cheyenne River, then easterly along the Cheyenne River to its junction with U.S. Highway 18 and 385, then northerly along U.S. Highway 18 and 385 to its junction with State Highway 79 and continuing northerly along State Highway 79 to its junction with the Custer County line; that portion of Meade County west and south of a line beginning at the junction of State Highway 79 and the Meade-Butte County line, south on State Highway 79 to State Highway 34, east on State Highway 34 to Alkali Road, east on Alkali Road to Middle Alkali Road, south on Middle Alkali Road to Tilford Road, west on Tilford Road to Ricard Road, south on Ricard Road to Elk Creek Road, east on Elk Creek Road to North Haines Avenue, south on North Haines Avenue to the junction of Haines Avenue and the Mead-Pennington County line

#### Unit PST-53A:

Perkins County and that portion of Meade County north of U.S. Highway 212.

- 3. Remove the archery restriction west of Interstate 29 in Brookings County.
- 4. Remove the split seasons in Clay and Union counties.
- 5. Add Lincoln County to the restricted area where a person may use only a shotgun using shot shells, muzzleloading shotgun, or bow and arrow.
- 6. Reduce the number of archery turkey access permits valid for Good Earth State Park from 10 to 5.
- 7. Repeal Unit PST-ZZ1.

#### DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

#### Recommended changes from proposal:

1. Clarify unity boundary description for Unit PST-49A.

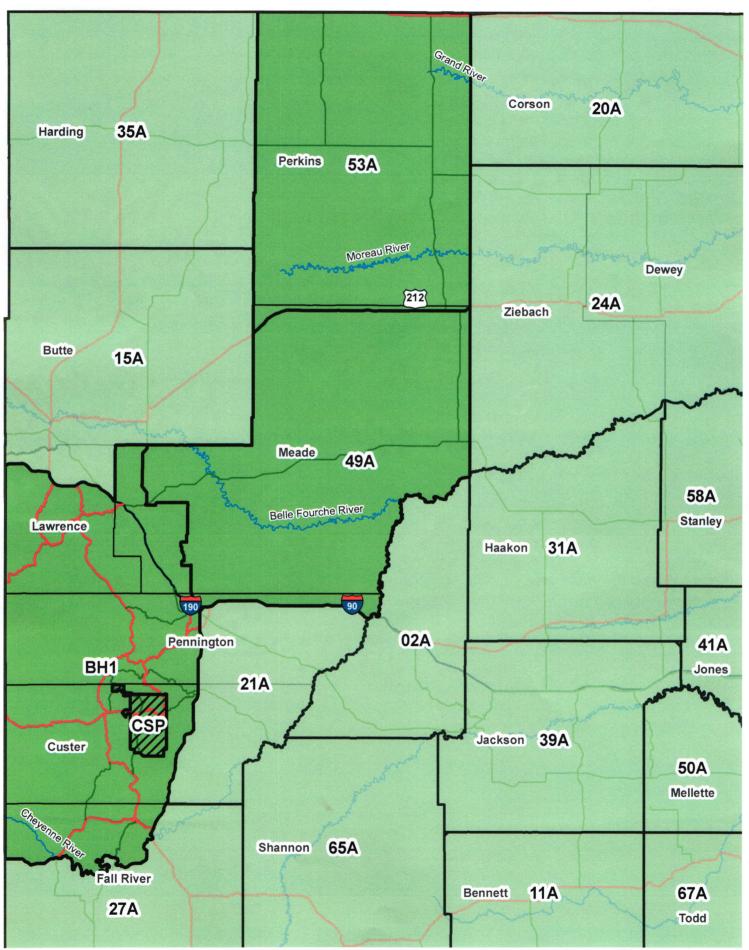
those portions of Meade <u>County and Pennington Counties</u> not included in Units BST-BH1 and PST-53A, and that portion of Pennington County north of Interstate 90, west of the Cheyenne River, and east of Haines Avenue.

|      |       | Licenses |         | Harvest |         |         | Success |         |         |  |
|------|-------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--|
| Year | ВН    | Prairie  | Archery | ВН      | Prairie | Archery | ВН      | Prairie | Archery |  |
| 2010 | 5,244 | 7,691    | 2,548   | 2,195   | 6,564   | 780     | 42%     | 52%     | 31%     |  |
| 2011 | 4,808 | 8,064    | 2,721   | 1,693   | 5,536   | 686     | 35%     | 42%     | 25%     |  |
| 2012 | 4,435 | 7,863    | 2,555   | 1,685   | 5,554   | 739     | 38%     | 43%     | 29%     |  |
| 2013 | 4,512 | 7,874    | 2,830   | 1,517   | 5,224   | 641     | 31%     | 41%     | 23%     |  |
| 2014 | 3,944 | 7,189    | 2,722   | 1,258   | 3,642   | 695     | 28%     | 41%     | 26%     |  |

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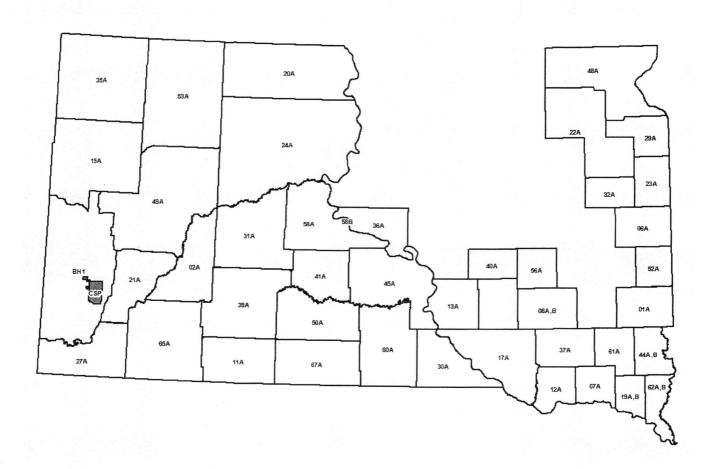
# Spring Turkey Units





Custer State Park is closed to archery hunting

# **SPRING TURKEY UNITS**



Custer State Park is closed to archery hunting

#### 2015 SPRING TURKEY

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| - 1   |                     | Resi     | dent   | Nonre      | sident |        |       | Lice     | ense Tota | als   |       |     |      |
|-------|---------------------|----------|--------|------------|--------|--------|-------|----------|-----------|-------|-------|-----|------|
| Jnit# | Unit Name           | TomT     | 2 TomT | TomT       | 2 TomT | RES    | RES   | RES      | RES       | NR    | NR    | NR  | NR   |
|       |                     | 32       | 35     | 32         | 35     | 1-tag  | 2-tag | Licenses | Tags      | 1-tag | 2-tag | Lic | Tags |
| 01A   | Minnehaha           | 80       | 0      | 0          | 0      | 80     | 0     | 80       | 80        | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 02A   | Pennington          | 0        | 300    | 0          | 24     | 0      | 300   | 300      | 600       | 0     | 24    | 24  | 48   |
| 06A   | Brookings           | 20       | 0      | 0          | 0      | 20     | 0     | 20       | 20        | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 07A   | Yankton             | 230      | 0      | 0          | 0      | 230    | 0     | 230      | 230       | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 08A   | Davison/Hanson      | 80       | 0      | 0          | 0      | 80     | 0     | 80       | 80        | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 08B   | Davison/Hanson      | 80       | 0      | 0          | 0      | 80     | 0     | 80       | 80        | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 11A   | Bennett             | 70       | 0      | 6          | 0      | 70     | 0     | 70       | 70        | 6     | 0     | 6   | 6    |
| 12A   | Bon Homme           | 250      | 0      | 0          | 0      | 250    | 0     | 250      | 250       | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 13A   | Brule               | 150      | 0      | 0          | 0      | 150    | 0     | 150      | 150       | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 15A   | Butte/Lawrence      | 0        | 450    | 0          | 36     | 0      | 450   | 450      | 900       | 0     | 36    | 36  | 72   |
| 17A   | Charles Mix/Douglas | 400      | 0      | 0          | 0      | 400    | 0     | 400      | 400       | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 19A   | Clay                | 120      | 0      | 0          | 0      | 120    | 0     | 120      | 120       | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 19B   | Clay                | 0        | 0      | 0          | 0      | 0      | 0     | 0        | 0         | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 20A   | Corson              | 100      | 0      | 8          | 0      | 100    | 0     | 100      | 100       | 8     | 0     | 8   | 8    |
| 21A   | Custer              | 0        | 180    | 0          | 15     | 0      | 180   | 180      | 360       | 0     | 15    | 15  | 30   |
| 22A   | Day/Codington       | 60       | 0      | 0          | 0      | 60     | 0     | 60       | 60        | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 23A   | Deuel               | 90       | 0      | 0          | 0      | 90     | 0     | 90       | 90        | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 24A   | Dewey/Ziebach       | 150      | 0      | 12         | 0      | 150    | 0     | 150      | 150       | 12    | 0     | 12  | 12   |
| 27A   | Fall River          | 0        | 150    | 0          | 12     | 0      | 150   | 150      | 300       | 0     | 12    | 12  | 24   |
| 29A   | Grant               | 220      | 0      | 0          | 0      | 220    | 0     | 220      | 220       | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 30A   | Gregory             | 850      | 0      | 68         | 0      | 850    | 0     | 850      | 850       | 68    | 0     | 68  | 68   |
| 31A   | Haakon              | 0        | 300    | 0          | 24     | 0      | 300   | 300      | 600       | 0     | 24    | 24  | 48   |
| 32A   | Hamlin              | 0        | 0      | 0          | 0      | 0      | 0     | 0        | 0         | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 35A   | Harding             | 150      | 0      | 12         | 0      | 150    | 0     | 150      | 150       | 12    | 0     | 12  | 12   |
| 36A   | Hughes              | 40       | 0      | 0          | 0      | 40     | 0     | 40       | 40        | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 37A   | Hutchinson          | 80       | 0      | 0          | 0      | 80     | 0     | 80       | 80        | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 39A   | Jackson             | 200      | 0      | 16         | 0      | 200    | 0     | 200      | 200       | 16    | 0     | 16  | 16   |
| 40A   | Jerauld             | 10       | 0      | 0          | 0      | 10     | 0     | 10       | 10        | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 41A   | Jones               | 100      | 0      | 8          | 0      | 100    | 0     | 100      | 100       | 8     | 0     | 8   | 8    |
| 44A   | Lincoln             | 50       | 0      | 0          | 0      | 50     | 0     | 50       | 50        | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 44B   | Lincoln             | 50       | 0      | 0          | 0      | 50     | 0     | 50       | 50        | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 45A   | Lyman               | 150      | 0      | 12         | 0      | 150    | 0     | 150      | 150       | 12    | 0     | 12  | 12   |
| 48A   | Marshall/Roberts    | 500      | 0      | 0          | 0      | 500    | 0     | 500      | 500       | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 49A   | Meade               | 0        | 350    | 0          | 28     | 0      | 350   | 350      | 700       | 0     | 28    | 28  | 56   |
| 50A   | Mellette            | 350      | 0      | 28         | 0      | 350    | 0     | 350      | 350       | 28    | 0     | 28  | 28   |
| 50A   | Moody               | 60       | 0      | 0          | 0      | 60     | 0     | 60       | 60        | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
|       |                     | 0        | 100    | 0          | 8      | 0      | 100   | 100      | 200       | 0     | 8     | 8   | 16   |
| 53A   | Perkins             | 20       | 0      | 0          | 0      | 20     | 0     | 20       | 20        | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 56A   | Sanborn             | 50       | 0      | 4          | 0      | 50     | 0     | 50       | 50        | 4     | 0     | 4   | 4    |
| 58A   | Stanley             | 4        | 0      | 1          | 0      | 4      | 0     | 4        | 4         | 1     | 0     | 1   | 1    |
| 58B   | Stanley             | 400      | 0      | 32         | 0      | 400    | 0     | 400      | 400       | 32    | 0     | 32  | 32   |
| 60A   | Tripp               | 20       | 0      | 0          | 0      | 20     | 0     | 20       | 20        | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 61A   |                     | 120      | 0      | 0          | 0      | 120    | 0     | 120      | 120       | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 62A   | Union               |          | 0      | 0          | 0      | 0      | 0     | 0        | 0         | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0    |
| 62B   |                     | 0        | _      | 6          | 0      | 70     | 0     | 70       | 70        | 6     | 0     | 6   | 6    |
| 65A   | Shannon             | 70       | 0      | 6          | 0      | 75     | 0     | 75       | 75        | 6     | 1 0   | 6   | 6    |
| 67A   | Todd                | 75       | 0      |            | 147    | 5,449  | _     | _        | 9,109     |       | 147   | 366 | 513  |
| 2015  | TOTAL               | 5,449    |        | 219        | 2 Tom  |        |       | RES      | RES       | NR    | NR    | NR  | NR   |
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|       | Unit                | 32       | 35     | 32         | 35     | 1-tag  | 2-tag | Licenses | Tags      | 1-tag | 2-tag | Lic | Tag  |

|      | Unit  | 32    | 35     | 32   | 35     | 1-tag | 2-tag | Licenses | Tags  | 1-tag | 2-tag | Lic | Tags |
|------|-------|-------|--------|------|--------|-------|-------|----------|-------|-------|-------|-----|------|
|      | 11-3  | TomT  | 2 TomT | TomT | 2 TomT | RES   | RES   | RES      | RES   | NR    | NR    | NR  | NR   |
| 2014 | TOTAL | 5,534 | 2,170  | 209  | 175    | 5,534 | 2,170 | 7,704    | 9,874 |       | 175   | -   | 559  |

#### SPRING TURKEY 2014--2015 Comparison



| Unit# | Unit Name           | 2014<br>Resident<br>Licenses | 2015<br>Resident<br>Licenses | #<br>Change | %<br>Change | 2014<br>Resident<br>Tags | 2015<br>Resident<br>Tags | #<br>Change | %<br>Change |
|-------|---------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 01A   | Minnehaha           | 100                          | 80                           | -20         | -20%        | 100                      | 80                       | -20         | -20%        |
| 02A   | Pennington          | 300                          | 300                          | 0           | 0%          | 600                      | 600                      | 0           | 0%          |
| 06A   | Brookings           | 20                           | 20                           | 0           | 0%          | 20                       | 20                       | 0           | 0%          |
| 07A   | Yankton             | 280                          | 230                          | -50         | -18%        | 280                      | 230                      | -50         | -18%        |
| 08A   | Davison/Hanson      | 80                           | 80                           | 0           | 0%          | 80                       | 80                       | 0           | 0%          |
| 08B   | Davison/Hanson      | 80                           | 80                           | 0           | 0%          | 80                       | 80                       | 0           | 0%          |
| 11A   | Bennett             | 70                           | 70                           | 0           | 0%          | 140                      | 70                       | -70         | -50%        |
| 12A   | Bon Homme           | 300                          | 250                          | -50         | -17%        | 300                      | 250                      | -50         | -17%        |
| 13A   | Brule               | 150                          | 150                          | 0           | 0%          | 150                      | 150                      | 0           | 0%          |
| 15A   | Butte/Lawrence      | 450                          | 450                          | 0           | 0%          | 900                      | 900                      | 0           | 0%          |
| 17A   | Charles Mix/Douglas | 400                          | 400                          | 0           | 0%          | 400                      | 400                      | 0           | 0%          |
| 19A   | Clay                | 80                           | 120                          | 40          | 50%         | 80                       | 120                      | 40          | 50%         |
| 19B   | Clay                | 80                           | 0                            | -80         | -100%       | 80                       | 0                        | -80         | -100%       |
| 20A   | Corson              | 100                          | 100                          | 0           | 0%          | 100                      | 100                      | 0           | 0%          |
| 21A   | Custer              | 180                          | 180                          | 0           | 0%          | 360                      | 360                      | 0           | 0%          |
| 22A   | Day/Codington       | 60                           | 60                           | 0           | 0%          | 60                       | 60                       | 0           | 0%          |
| 23A   | Deuel               | 90                           | 90                           | 0           | 0%          | 90                       | 90                       | 0           | 0%          |
| 24A   | Dewey/Ziebach       | 150                          | 150                          | 0           | 0%          | 150                      | 150                      | 0           | 0%          |
| 27A   | Fall River          | 150                          | 150                          | 0           | 0%          | 300                      | 300                      | 0           | 0%          |
| 29A   | Grant               | 220                          | 220                          | 0           | 0%          | 220                      | 220                      | 0           | 0%          |
| 30A   | Gregory             | 950                          | 850                          | -100        | -11%        | 950                      | 850                      | -100        | -11%        |
| 31A   | Haakon              | 300                          | 300                          | 0           | 0%          | 600                      | 600                      | 0           | 0%          |
| 32A   | Hamlin              | 0                            | 0                            | 0           | 0%          | 0                        | 0                        | 0           | 0%          |
| 35A   | Harding             | 150                          | 150                          | 0           | 0%          | 150                      | 150                      | 0           | 0%          |
| 36A   | Hughes              | 40                           | 40                           | 0           | 0%          | 40                       | 40                       | 0           | 0%          |
| 37A   | Hutchinson          | 80                           | 80                           | 0           | 0%          | 80                       | 80                       | 0           | 0%          |
| 39A   | Jackson             | 200                          | 200                          | 0           | 0%          | 400                      | 200                      | -200        | -50%        |
| 40A   | Jerauld             | 10                           | 10                           | 0           | 0%          | 10                       | 10                       | 0           | 0%          |
| 41A   | Jones               | 100                          | 100                          | 0           | 0%          | 100                      | 100                      | 0           | 0%          |
| 44A   | Lincoln             | 50                           | 50                           | 0           | 0%          | 50                       | 50                       | 0           | 0%          |
| 44B   | Lincoln             | 50                           | 50                           | 0           | 0%          | 50                       | 50                       | 0           | 0%          |
| 45A   | Lyman               | 150                          | 150                          | 0           | 0%          | 150                      | 150                      | 0           | 0%          |
|       | Marshall/Roberts    | 500                          | 500                          | 0           | 0%          | 500                      | 500                      | 0           | 0%          |
| 48A   | Meade               | 350                          | 350                          | 0           | 0%          | 700                      | 700                      | 0           | 0%          |
| 49A   | Mellette            | 450                          | 350                          | -100        | -22%        | 450                      | 350                      | -100        | -22%        |
| 50A   |                     | 40                           | 60                           | 20          | 50%         | 40                       | 60                       | 20          | 50%         |
| 52A   | Moody<br>Perkins    | 100                          | 100                          | 0           | 0%          | 200                      | 200                      | 0           | 0%          |
| 53A   |                     | 40                           | 20                           | -20         | -50%        | 40                       | 20                       | -20         | -50%        |
| 56A   | Sanborn             | 50                           | 50                           | 0           | 0%          | 50                       | 50                       | 0           | 0%          |
| 58A   | Stanley             | 4                            | 4                            | 0           | NA NA       | 4                        | 4                        | 0           | NA          |
| 58B   | Stanley             | 400                          | 400                          | 0           | 0%          | 400                      | 400                      | 0           | 0%          |
| 60A   | Tripp               | 20                           | 20                           | 0           | 0%          | 20                       | 20                       | 0           | 0%          |
| 61A   | Turner              | 80                           | 120                          | 40          | 50%         | 80                       | 120                      | 40          | 50%         |
| 62A   | Union               | 80                           | 0                            | -80         | -100%       |                          | 0                        | -80         | -100%       |
| 62B   | Union               | 70                           | 70                           | 0           | 0%          | 140                      | 70                       | -70         | -50%        |
| 65A   | Shannon             | 100                          | 75                           | -25         | -25%        | 100                      | 75                       | -25         | -25%        |
| 67A   | Todd<br>L           | 7,704                        | 7,279                        | -425        | -5.5%       | 9,874                    | 9,109                    | -765        | -7.7%       |

Note: An additional 8% of the number of licenses will be available to nonresidents in West River units.



#### HUNTING REQUIREMENTS AND PROHIBITED METHODS CHAPTER 41:06:04

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#### **COMMISSION PROPOSAL**

Amend 41:06:04:03 to prohibit the baiting of turkeys in the spring and create an exception for research activities conducted by the department.

#### Recommended changes:

**41:06:04:03. Methods prohibited.** A person may not establish, utilize, or maintain a bait station from August 15 to February 1, inclusive, and from March 15 to May 31, inclusive, to attract any big game animal, including wild turkey, and a person may not use an electronic call when hunting any big game animal except a mountain lion. A bait station is a location where grains, fruits, vegetables, nuts, hay, minerals, or any other natural food materials, commercial products containing natural food materials, or by-products of such materials are placed or maintained as an attractant to big game animals for the purpose of hunting. The use of scents alone does not constitute a bait station.

This section does not apply to foods that have not been placed or gathered by a person and result from normal environmental conditions or accepted farming, forest management, wildlife food plantings, orchard management, or similar land management activities.

A person is exempt from the bait station restrictions while participating in any <u>research or</u> depredation management activities directed by the department.

#### WILDLIFE DIVISION RECOMMENDATION

#### Recommended changes from proposal:

NONE

#### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

This proposal would amend the period in which bait stations are prohibited for attracting big game animals for the purpose of hunting. In its current form, 41:06:04:03 allows for hunters to bait wild turkeys in the spring, but not in the fall. Conservation officers have identified numerous situations in the last two spring turkey seasons where baiting activities have taken place. Bait stations tend to alter the natural movement patterns of big game animals. They can also cause a delay in the dispersal from wintering grounds, concentrate flocks on the property of those maintaining a bait station, and create refuges that can hamper population control efforts. Bait stations are not necessary to sustain healthy big game populations and can create vulnerability for opportunistic poaching of big game animals. Additionally, the proposal would create a research exemption for bait stations to be utilized for department research activities.

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#### MARKING OF ZONES, SPEARING Chapters 41:04:01, 41:07:06

**Commission Meeting Dates:** 

Proposal Public Hearing Finalization October 2-3, 2014 November 6, 2014 November 6-7, 2014 Sturgis Sioux Falls Sioux Falls

#### **COMMISSION PROPOSAL**

- 1. 41:04:01:08. "Diver-down flag requirements." Modify by changing diver-down flag size requirements from 8 inches by 10 inches to 12 inches by 15 inches and restrict diver-down flags from being placed in areas that would restrict watercraft navigation.
- 2. 41:07:06:03. "Areas open to spearing of game fish Additional permit required." Modify to (a) add text to clarify that the upstream limit of the area open to spearing of game fish on Lake Sharpe extends to the upstream edge of the U.S. Highway bridge at Pierre, (b) add Shadehill Reservoir to the areas open to the spearing of game fish, (c) allow for the spearing of northern pike and catfish from all inland lakes (except for lakes managed for muskies and areas of the Missouri River system closed to game fish spearing) and the Grand River below Shadehill Reservoir downstream to the Perkins-Corson county line year round, (d) allow the spearing of northern pike and catfish from all South Dakota-Minnesota boundary water lakes from November 15 through the last Sunday of February, inclusive.
- 3. 41:07:06:06. "Limits." to require that all fish taken with legal spear, speargun or bow and arrow must be taken into possession by the person spearfishing and to clarify that all harvest restrictions including length limits in effect for a species apply to all methods of take.
- 4. 41:07:06:08. "Use of diver-down flag." by repealing it and placing modified diver-down flag requirements in 41:04:01:08.

#### WILDLIFE DIVISION RECOMMENDATION

#### Recommended changes from proposal:

| 1. | Add text to 41:07:06:06 indicating persons actively engaged in spearfishing or bowfishing |
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|    | shall not possess speared game fish in an area not open to the spearing of game fish.     |

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- 1. Staff indicated a preference to increase the minimum size of diver-down flags, as current regulations require flags to be 8 inches by 10 inches. Other states require flags to be larger. The sentence that is proposed to be deleted is already included in SDCL 42-8-44.1 and is therefore unnecessary. Prohibiting flags from being placed in such a manner that effectively blocks the movement of other watercraft would require divers to allow some avenue for other watercraft to safely and legally travel through an area where diving is taking place.
- 2. (a) There is currently confusion over spearing of game fish around the HWY 14 Bridge in Pierre. Clarifying that spearing of game fish may take place to the upstream edge of the bridge should eliminate confusion, (b) Shadehill Reservoir is the only prairie Bureau of Reclamation reservoir in western South Dakota not open to the spearing of game fish, (c) allowing spearing of northern pike and channel catfish from all inland lakes (with limited exceptions) and the Grand River below Shadehill Reservoir downstream to the Perkins-Corson county line year round would add opportunity for two underutilized species without impacting the majority of the angling public, (d) allowing spearing of northern pike and catfish from November 15 to the last Sunday of February, inclusive, on all South Dakota-Minnesota boundary waters, except the Bois de Sioux River, would add opportunity for an underutilized species.
- 3. There is nothing in rule or statute that prohibits a person from shooting rough fish and not taking them into possession. This rule change would also clarify harvest requirements for paddlefish shot during the archery paddlefish season. Referencing that length limits in effect on a water also pertain to spearing and archery helps clarify that all harvest restrictions apply to all legal methods of take. The recommended change from proposal will clarify when game fish may be possessed in areas closed to game fish spearing.
- **4.** ARSD 41:07:06:08 can be repealed. Text defining dimensions of diver down flags is in 41:04:01:08. Text referring to use of the flag will be modified and moved to 41:07:06:08 if the recommended change from proposal is adopted.



#### GENERAL PROVISIONS Chapters 41:07:01

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#### **COMMISSION PROPOSAL**

- 1. Modify 41:07:01:01. "Definition of terms." to update references in (5) Inland waters, (b) add definition of snag hook and modify "snagging" definition accordingly.
- 2. Add 41:07:01:06. "Artificial lights."
- 3. Modify 41:07:01:17. "Liberalized take of smelt and lake herring." to allow for the liberalized take of silver carp and bighead carp that jump into a boat or that can be netted from the air using a dip net.

#### **Proposed changes:**

- 1a. 41:07:01:01. Definition of terms. Terms used in this article mean:
  - (5) "Inland waters," all waters of the state except those described in subdivisions (11), (12), and (13) defined in this section as South Dakota-lowa boundary waters, South-Dakota-Minnesota boundary waters, and South Dakota-Nebraska boundary waters;
- 1b.
  - (13) "Snagging," a fishing method intentionally used to hook fish in body areas other than the mouth by using specially rigged and weighted hooks or conventional hooks and lures which are a snaghook that is rapidly and intermittently jerked through the water;
  - (14) "Snaghook," a hook or lure that is used for snagging;
- 2. 41:07:01:06. Artificial lights. Repealed. A person may use artificial lights while fishing with legal methods.
- 3. 41:07:01:17. Liberalized take of silver carp, bighead carp, smelt and lake herring. In the Missouri River and its impoundments, Semelt and lake herring may be taken by hook and line, seines, lift nets, cast nets, and dip nets. A net legal for taking smelt is a net as defined by § 41:09:04:04. Silver carp and bighead carp that inadvertently jump into any boat or are netted from the air using a dip net may be retained. No person may transport live smelt, silver carp, or bighead carp away from the water in which they were taken.

| WILDLIFE DIVISION RECO                             | MENDATION    |        |             |
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| Recommended changes from No changes from proposal. | om proposal: |        |             |
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- 1. (a) Numerical references to subdivisions defining border waters within the "Inland waters" definition are incorrect. Adding language to the definition specifying which border waters are not included instead of listing subdivisions will remove the need to update subdivision text in the future, (b) Other terms for methods of take listed in SDCL 41-12-12 are defined in administrative rule, snaghook is not. Once "snaghook" is defined, the definition of snagging may be simplified to reflect the change.
- 2. Rule 41:07:01:06, allowing the use of artificial lights for fishing, was removed during the 2013 administrative rule reduction process. This inadvertently put the intent to allow use of artificial lights in contradiction of codified law 41-12-12, which indicates artificial lights may not be used for fishing. Adding 41:07:01:06 will clarify this.
- 3. Currently, silver carp and bighead carp that inadvertently jump into a boat or are netted from the air cannot be legally harvested. This change would allow anglers the opportunity to harvest those fish.



#### FISH LIMITS, PADDLEFISH SNAGGING Chapters 41:07:03, 41:07:05

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#### **COMMISSION PROPOSAL**

- 1. Modify 41:07:03:02.01. "South Dakota-Nebraska boundary waters." by changing channel catfish limits on Nebraska border waters from 5 daily and 10 in possession to 10 daily and 20 in possession.
- 2. Modify 41:07:03:03. "Daily, possession, and length limit restrictions on special management waters -- Additional restrictions described." to correct county references for Hanson and Curlew Lakes.
- 3. Modify 41:07:05.03 "Paddlefish snagging, processing, and transportation restrictions." to specify that paddlefish are measured with a flexible tape along and over the center line contour of the fish, lying flat including the entire eye to the natural unaltered fork of the tail.

### WILDLIFE DIVISION RECOMMENDATION

Recommended changes from proposal:

No changes from proposal.

- Changing channel catfish limits on Nebraska border water will better align border water regulations with Nebraska regulations and South Dakota statewide regulations.
- 2. Hanson Lake and Curlew Lake county references are incorrect.
- 3. There are discrepancies between the paddlefish regulation sheet licensed anglers receive and administrative rules regarding measuring of paddlefish. Paddlefish must be measured differently than other fish due to their unique shape and size and the method detailed has been used for years.

| ☐ APPROVE ☐ MODIFY ☐ REJECT ☐ NO ACTION |
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#### BAIT, SCIENTIFIC COLLECTORS

Chapters 41:09:04, 41:09:16

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#### **COMMISSION PROPOSAL**

- 1. Modify 41:09:04:03. "Waters closed to taking of bait." to prohibit the harvest of mussels for noncommercial purposes while allowing the shells of mussels found dead to be possessed, except for shells of threatened and endangered species.
- 2. Modify 41:09:16:02. "Application for license." to require listing all wild animal (including amphibians, reptiles, and invertebrates, and any part thereof) specimen collection requests on applications for scientific collector's permits.
- 3. Modify 41:09:16:03. "Conditions of license." to add all wild animals (including amphibians, reptiles, and invertebrates, and any part thereof) to the list of specimens for which limits on the number of specimens and special conditions and provisions can be established.

#### WILDLIFE DIVISION RECOMMENDATION

Recommended changes from proposal:

No changes from proposal.

- 1. Harvest of freshwater mussels for commercial purposes is currently prohibited but there is no regulation regarding the non-commercial taking of freshwater mussels. South Dakota has three federally listed mussels and an additional seven species of greatest conservation need, however, there is currently not much information on the health of freshwater mussel populations in this state. Mussel identification is extremely difficult and only individuals who work with mussels on a regular basis are able to identify different species. Due to the rarity of many mussel species in South Dakota along with difficulties in identification, protection of all mussel species is warranted.
- 2. Currently, amphibians, reptiles, and invertebrates, including freshwater mussels, are not listed as taxa for which collection requests must be included on collection permit applications. The term wild animals, as defined in statute, includes all these taxa. It would be in the best interest of the State of South Dakota to know interested parties who obtain a scientific collector's permit plan to collect these taxa.
- 3. Currently, amphibians, reptiles, and invertebrates, including freshwater mussels, are not listed as taxa for which special conditions or provisions of harvest can be set. The term wild animals, as defined in statute, includes all these taxa. It is in the best interest of the State of South Dakota to be able to set these special conditions and provisions of collecting these taxa, as some species in the State are federally listed or are state species of greatest conservation need.

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# Petition for Rule Change

#### PROPOSED SPEAR FISHING RULES CHANGES FOR 2015 Modification of 41:07:06:03

October 27, 2014

Game Fish and Parks Commission

Dear members of the commission thank you for your support of the advancement of spearfishing in South Dakota. It has been an interesting and frustrating journey since my first appearance at a commission meeting in Mitchell, May 2006. At that meeting I brought out requests from spearfishers throughout the state that had been asking for opening more lakes across the state and expanding Lake OAHE for spearfishing. I also presented the question of why there was not a year round spearing season. If there was a reason for limiting the season to July 1 to the end of February (these were the open and close dates in 2006).

From that first meeting rules changes that took place added 15-extra days to the season by opening the season June 15th, OAHE boundaries were expanded to the North Dakota border, several shallow dirty lakes were added in eastern SD. Thank you, a good start a baby step.

From the feedback that I got from John Lott, this offering was a test to see what if any public out cry might come from the changes. *Not one person complained! GFP Fisheries was expecting an outcry from the public, hook and line fishers and it did not happen.* More to the point it spawned a whole group of outdoor enthusiasts that took up spearfishing/ bow fishing because they live close to the opened areas.

Because there was no outcry from the public the next offering was to expand the winter ice spearing to March 15 (another 15-days added to the season). Along with that catfish and northern pike were opened to the inland waters for spearing during the season. The comment that I got was that these were the low fish on the tree and no one would care if they got speared ( *it was no surprise, no one did* ). This was not a step in the right direction but a *foot drag*, a stall tactic, to delay the inevitable opening of the state to spearing of all game fish.

The next stall tactic came when I received a phone call from John Lott in October 2010. He said that in order to offer more areas and fish species to spearfishing that a study needed to be conducted and a \$5 tariff would be charged to persons spearfishing or bow fishing to cover the study. I told John that this was not wright and should not be the burden of persons who want to take fish this way. If GFP needed to do a study it could be paid by all fishers. I also asked if the \$5 tariff would be lifted once the study was completed, he said it would be. The \$5 fee went on in 2011 and is still there in 2014! The study was paid for in 2012 and this needs to be taken off.

So all spearfishing changes came to a stop while the study was being conducted 2010, 2011 and 2012.

Cynthia Longmire, PhD from SDSU, did a great job of presenting the study: "2011 GAME FISH SPEAR-ING AND ARCHERY IN SOUTH DAKOTA: RESIDENT SPEARING/ARCHERY HARVEST AND ANGLER OPINION SURVEY. HD-2-12.AMS. The results of the survey were presented at the GFP Commission meeting at Lake Herman in November 2012. In a nutshell the survey confirmed that the 2061 persons participating in spearfishing/bow fishing did not have an impact on the fish population. Also the survey was favorable both by hook and line fishers and spearfisher/bow fishers for opening more areas ( in the comment section of the report there were varying opinions but most felt that it did not make any differ-

ence how a legal limit of fish is taken)

After Longmire's presentation on the survey, the commission interviewed the GFP Fisheries director John Lott, the biologist and another staff person. The main questions asked were: would divers have an adverse impact on fish populations, was there any reason not to open all inland waters to spearfishing and the answer was NO.

When I left that meeting I rejoiced thinking that finally the commission had been told the truth about spearfishing and fully expected GFP to propose the rules changes for 2014, to open all inland waters of the state and all species of fish for spearfishing. Much to my dismay no such proposal was made at the October 2013 or 2014 Commission meetings.

Earlier this year John Lott and Geno Adams met with Doug Brockhouse and I for a two hour meeting discussing spearfishing. Several of the perceived reasons for not moving forward with the changes were social issues, enforcement and complaints against divers.

- **Social issues** was a buzz phrase that keep coming up, yet the survey indicated that only a small percentage of those that responded were against spearfishing.
- In our discussion we talked about *safety issues* of divers around docks in a lake with houses-docks-boat lifts, this problem is already addressed in the regulations, no diving within so many feet of a swim beach area, dock, boat ramp etc. *This is an enforcement issue of a diver possibly breaking the law.*
- Yet most divers that responded to the survey addressed safety issues of boaters trolling over the top of them. This is an enforcement issue of a boater breaking the law.
- *Complaints* they said that there had been a variety of complaints by fishermen, yet when asked for documentation about the complaints they said there was none, *hearsay* has no merit in making decisions. If there are complaints that are justified then it is an enforcement issue. The complaints go both ways and divers in the survey voiced their concerns. Complaints need to be documented, place, time, where, who and what follow up was made to address the issue.
- Any and all resistance to making the changes for season length, areas open to spearing they said is social issues and not biological. I think that there is a social issue towards spearfishing / bow fishing within GFP!! More education about the art of spearfishing, its challenges, safety issues and how much fun it is needs to be more the direction to be moving in.
- The approach of the GFP fisheries to spearing is give a little each year to appease the divers but not really addressing the request and opening the state to spearing. If there is no negative impact on the fish resource and only legal limits can be taken and there is no problem from most of the persons using the water ways. Then I think it is time to make the next step make the proposal public and let the sports people of South Dakota be heard and move this forward to a conclusion.

I would like to propose for modification of Administrative Rules of South Dakota, **41:07:06:03 Areas** open to spearfishing of game fish.

The proposal is to open all inland waters of South Dakota to spearfising / bow fishing of game fish. Open boundary waters to seasons that match adjoining states spearing laws.

Make the season the same as hook and line, open January 1 and end the last day of December.

Allow taking of all species of fish except those that are protected.

Respectfully submitted William (Bill) Donovan 47868 Atterbury Crt Harrisburg SD 57032 605-214-1415

# Division of

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Recreation

# Proposed 2015 Rates for Angostura Cabins and Shadehill Cabins and Trailers

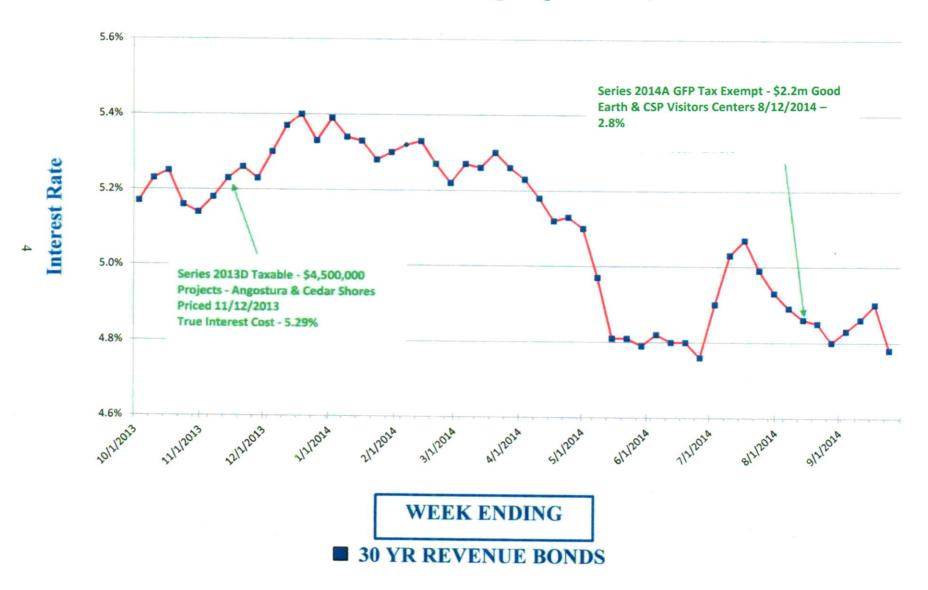
# (Based upon the projected year-end Consumer Price Index as provided by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics)

|                    |                                     | Ang      | gostura Cabins      | (30      | Shadehill<br>cabins and 17<br>Trailers) |                 |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|----------|---------------------|----------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Number of<br>Units |                                     |          | 32                  |          | 47                                      |                 |
| 2015 Rate          | CPI (2014) = 1.7%<br>Total Revenue  | \$<br>\$ | 835.00<br>26,720.00 | \$       | 435.00<br>20,445.00                     | \$<br>47,165.00 |
| 2014 Rate          | CPI (2013) = 1.5%<br>Total Revenue  | \$<br>\$ | 820.00<br>26,240.00 | \$       | 425.00<br>19,975.00                     | \$<br>46,215.00 |
| 2013 Rate          | CPI (2012) = 2.1%<br>Total Revenue  | \$<br>\$ | 810.00<br>25,920.00 | \$       | 420.00<br>19,740.00                     | \$<br>45,660.00 |
| 2012 Rate          | CPI (2011) = 3.2%<br>Total Revenue  | \$<br>\$ | 795.00<br>25,440.00 | \$<br>\$ | 410.00<br>19,270.00                     | \$<br>44,710.00 |
| 2011 Rate          | CPI (2010) = 1.6%<br>Total Revenue  | \$<br>\$ | 765.00<br>24,480.00 | \$<br>\$ | 395.00<br>18,565.00                     | \$<br>43,045.00 |
| 2010 Rate          | CPI (2009) = -0.4%<br>Total Revenue | \$<br>\$ | 765.00<br>24,480.00 | \$<br>\$ | 395.00<br>18,565.00                     | \$<br>43,045.00 |
| 2009 Rate          | CPI (2008) = 3.8%<br>Total Revenue  | \$<br>\$ | 765.00<br>24,480.00 | \$<br>\$ | 395.00<br>18,565.00                     | \$<br>43,045.00 |
| 2008 Rate          | CPI (2007) = 2.8%<br>Total Revenue  | \$       | 730.00<br>23,360.00 | \$<br>\$ | 375.00<br>17,625.00                     | \$<br>40,985.00 |
| 2007 Rate          | CPI (2006) = 3.3%<br>Total Revenue  | \$<br>\$ | 710.00<br>22,720.00 | \$       | 365.00<br>17,155.00                     | \$<br>39,875.00 |
| 2006 Rate          | CPI (2005) = 3.5%<br>Total Revenue  | \$       | 685.00<br>21,920.00 | \$       | 350.00<br>16,450.00                     | \$<br>38,370.00 |
| 2005 Rate          | CPI (2004) = 2.6%<br>Total Revenue  | \$<br>\$ | 660.00<br>21,120.00 | \$<br>\$ | 340.00<br>15,980.00                     | \$<br>37,100.00 |



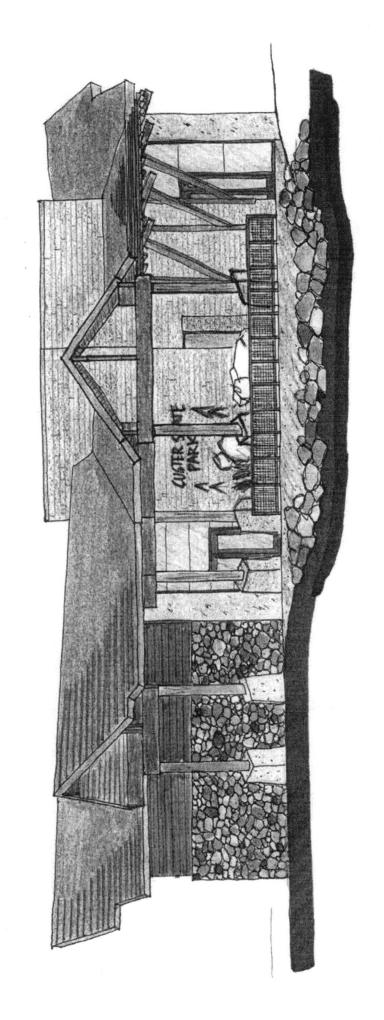
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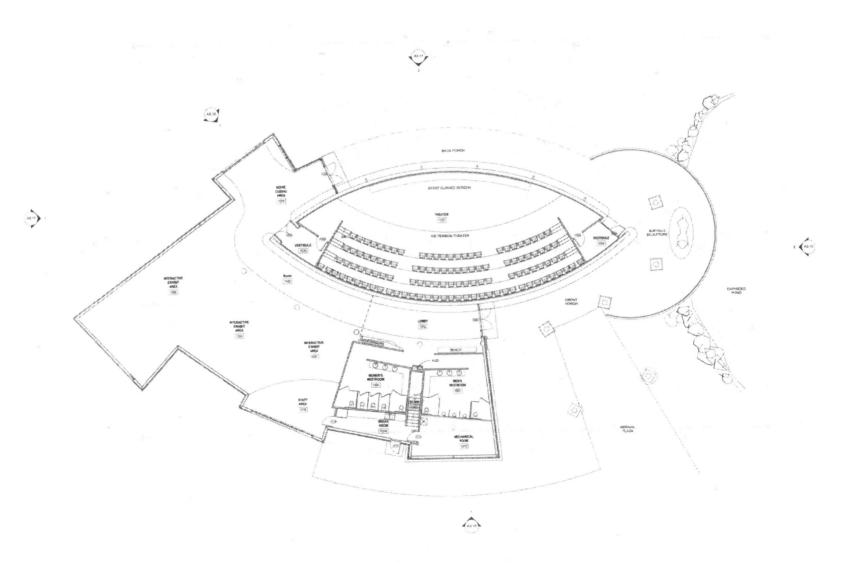
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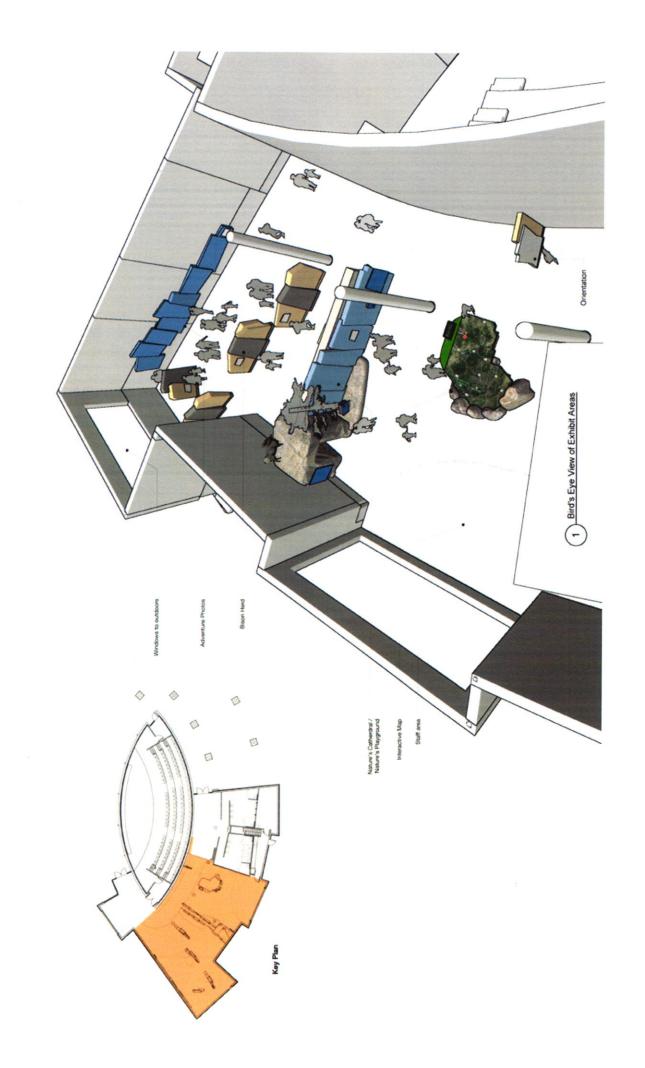


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# YEAR TO DATE October 2014 Revenue Comparison by Item

|                          |         | 2013 |            |         | 2014 |            | %      |
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|                          | Number  |      | Oollar     | Number  |      | Oollar     | Change |
| Annual                   | 43,215  | \$   | 1,296,437  | 44,911  | \$   | 1,347,322  | 4%     |
| Second Vehicle           | 12,973  | \$   | 194,596    | 11,855  | \$   | 177,819    | -9%    |
| Combo                    | 21,180  | \$   | 953,115    | 22,820  | \$   | 1,026,916  | 8%     |
| Transferable             | 1,163   | \$   | 75,623     | 1,523   | \$   | 98,965     | 31%    |
| Daily / Person           | 27,400  | \$   | 109,599    | 30,302  | \$   | 121,208    | 11%    |
| Daily / Vehicle          | 73,411  | \$   | 440,469    | 75,271  | \$   | 451,626    | 3%     |
| Unattended Vehicle Daily | 1,105   | \$   | 11,048     | 1,287   | \$   | 12,869     | 16%    |
| Motorcoach Permit        | 7,293   | \$   | 21,879     | 22,633  | \$   | 67,900     | 210%   |
| GSM Annual Trail Pass    | 2,254   | \$   | 33,815     | 2,423   | \$   | 36,345     | 7%     |
| GSM Daily Trail Pass     | 14,043  | \$   | 42,129     | 16,762  | \$   | 50,286     | 19%    |
| CSP Temp Daily / Vehicle | 138,857 | \$   | 2,082,862  | 140,981 | \$   | 2,114,719  | 2%     |
| Bike Band                | 18,332  | \$   | 183,320    | 18,859  | \$   | 188,591    | 3%     |
| Rally Bike Band          | 38,392  | \$   | 383,920    | 31,457  | \$   | 314,570    | -18%   |
| One-Day Special Event    | N/A     | \$   | 8,751      | N/A     | \$   | 11,525     | 32%    |
| PERMITS                  | 399,619 | \$   | 5,837,563  | 421,084 | \$   | 6,020,660  | 3%     |
| Camping Services Permits | -       | \$   | 6,300,263  | _       | \$   | 7,325,837  | 16%    |
| Gift Card                | -       | \$   | 12,762     | -       | \$   | 3,770      | -70%   |
| Picnic Reservations      | -       | \$   | 11,477     | -       | \$   | 16,475     | 44%    |
| Firewood                 | -       | \$   | 140,408    |         | \$   | 161,497    | 15%    |
| LODGING                  | •       | \$   | 6,464,910  | -       | \$   | 7,507,579  | 16%    |
| TOTAL                    | -       | \$   | 12,302,473 | -       | \$   | 13,528,239 | 10%    |

October 2014 YTD Revenue Comparison by District

| LOCATION        |    | 2013                            |      | 2014                            | %                         |
|-----------------|----|---------------------------------|------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Fort Sisseton   | \$ | 45,616                          | \$   | 64,434                          | 41%                       |
| Roy Lake        |    | 164,961                         |      | 197,470                         | 20%                       |
| Sica Hollow     | \$ | 2,497                           | \$   | 2,672                           | 7%                        |
| DISTRICT 1      |    | 213,074                         |      | 264,576                         | 24%                       |
|                 | •  |                                 |      |                                 |                           |
| Richmond Lake   | \$ | 70,388                          | \$   | 79,741                          | 13%                       |
| Mina Lake       | \$ | 91,824                          | \$   |                                 | 6%                        |
| Lake Louise     | \$ |                                 | \$   |                                 | 2%                        |
| Fisher Grove    | \$ |                                 | \$   |                                 | 106%                      |
| Amsden          | \$ | 3,434                           | \$   | 3,857                           | 12%                       |
| DISTRICT 2      |    | 229,368                         |      | <b>256,883</b>                  | 12%                       |
| DISTRICTZ       | P  | 229,300                         | Þ    | 230,003                         | 12%                       |
| Candy Chara     | ۲  | 22.060                          | ۲.   | 42 E21                          | 200/                      |
| Sandy Shore     | \$ |                                 |      | 43,521                          | 28%                       |
| Hartford Beach  |    | 120,184                         |      | 147,792                         | 23%                       |
| Lake Cochrane   | \$ |                                 | \$   |                                 | 12%                       |
| Pelican Lake    |    | 112,103                         | 0.50 | 127,428                         | 14%                       |
| Pickerel Lake   |    | 151,106                         |      | 170,077                         | 13%                       |
| DISTRICT 3      | \$ | 463,150                         | \$   | 540,048                         | 17%                       |
|                 | 88 |                                 |      |                                 |                           |
| Oakwood Lakes   |    | 228,916                         | \$   | 252,056                         | 10%                       |
| Lake Poinsett   | \$ | 169,370                         | \$   | 190,698                         | 13%                       |
| Lake Thompson   |    | 211,391                         | \$   | 252,410                         | 19%                       |
| DISTRICT 4      | \$ | 609,676                         | \$   | 695,165                         | 14%                       |
|                 |    |                                 |      |                                 |                           |
| Lake Herman     | \$ | 168,554                         | \$   | 192,101                         | 14%                       |
| Walkers Point   | \$ | 69,333                          | \$   | 71,125                          | 3%                        |
| DISTRICT 5      | \$ | 237,887                         | \$   | 263,226                         | 11%                       |
|                 |    |                                 |      |                                 |                           |
| Snake Creek     | \$ | 260,777                         | \$   | 293,427                         | 13%                       |
| Platte Creek    | \$ | 50,446                          | \$   | 49,302                          | -2%                       |
| Burke Lake      | \$ | 1,827                           | \$   | 2,013                           | 10%                       |
| Buryanek        | \$ | 58,601                          | \$   | 62,070                          | 6%                        |
| DISTRICT 6      | \$ | 371,650                         | \$   | 406,812                         | 9%                        |
|                 |    | •                               | Ė    |                                 |                           |
| Palisades       | \$ | 206,876                         | \$   | 224,813                         | 9%                        |
| Lake Vermillion |    | 246,759                         |      | 281,980                         | 14%                       |
| Big Sioux       |    | 200,228                         |      | 227,714                         | 14%                       |
| DISTRICT 7      |    | 653,863                         |      | 734,507                         | 12%                       |
|                 | ~  | 323,003                         | 7    |                                 |                           |
| Newton Hills    | \$ | 342,426                         | \$   | 390,240                         | 14%                       |
|                 | \$ | 26,967                          | \$   | 29,889                          | 11%                       |
| II aka Alvin    | 2  | 20,507                          | 7    | 23,003                          |                           |
| Lake Alvin      |    | 27 207                          | Ċ    | 12 001                          | 1 0 0 / 1                 |
| Union Grove     | \$ | 37,397                          | \$   | 42,884                          | 15%                       |
|                 | \$ | 37,397<br>120<br><b>406,910</b> | \$   | 42,884<br>371<br><b>463,384</b> | 15%<br>209%<br><b>14%</b> |

| LOCATION          |                 | 2013                                    |    | 2014       | %    |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------------|----|------------|------|
| Lewis & Clark     | \$              | 1,216,295                               | \$ | 1,398,746  | 15%  |
| Springfield       | \$              | 24,672                                  | \$ | 25,586     | 4%   |
| Chief White Crane | \$              | 233,292                                 | \$ | 259,054    | 11%  |
| Pierson Ranch     | \$              | 97,549                                  | \$ | 95,918     | -2%  |
| Tabor             | \$              | 720                                     | \$ | 1,486      | 106% |
| Sand Creek        | \$              | 970                                     | \$ | 1,099      | 13%  |
| DISTRICT 9        | \$              | 1,573,499                               | \$ | 1,781,889  | 13%  |
| White Swan        |                 |                                         | \$ | 2,998      |      |
| South Scalp       |                 |                                         | \$ | 826        | 8    |
| South Shore       | \$              | 4,665                                   | \$ | 3,527      | -24% |
| North Point       | \$              | 320,080                                 | \$ | 367,507    | 15%  |
| Pease Creek       |                 | 23,109                                  | \$ | 27,049     | 17%  |
| Randall Creek     | \$<br>\$<br>\$  | 156,139                                 | \$ | 187,045    | 20%  |
| Whetstone         | \$              | 7,809                                   | \$ | 7,715      | -1%  |
| North Wheeler     | \$              | 8,731                                   | \$ | 9,295      | 6%   |
| DISTRICT 10       | \$              | 520,534                                 | \$ | 605,963    | 16%  |
| Farm Island       | \$              | 212,956                                 | \$ | 261,532    | 23%  |
| West Bend         | \$              | 167,581                                 | \$ | 204,454    | 22%  |
| DISTRICT 11       | \$              | 380,537                                 | \$ | 465,986    | 22%  |
| Okobojo           | \$              | 12,573.66                               | \$ | 14,469     | 15%  |
| Oahe Downstream   |                 | 394,670                                 | \$ | 417,971    | 6%   |
| Spring Creek      | \$<br>\$        | 9,135                                   | \$ | 14,780     |      |
| Cow Creek         | \$              | 53,635                                  | \$ | 54,487     | 2%   |
| DISTRICT 12       | \$              | 470,013                                 | \$ | 501,707    | 7%   |
| East Whitlock     | \$              | 981                                     | \$ | 756        | -23% |
| West Whitlock     | \$              | 146,172                                 | \$ | 149,395    | 2%   |
| Lake Hiddenwood   |                 | 7,980                                   | \$ | 6,928      | -13% |
| Swan Creek        | \$              | 14,124                                  | \$ | 10,387     | -26% |
| Indian Creek      | \$<br>\$<br>\$  | 160,047                                 | \$ | 179,501    | 12%  |
| West Pollock      | \$              | 19,251                                  | \$ | 19,564     | 2%   |
| WalthBay          | \$              | 1,497                                   | \$ | 907        | -39% |
| Revheim Bay       | \$              | 290                                     | \$ | 410        | 42%  |
| DISTRICT 13       | \$              | 350,342                                 | \$ | 367,850    | 5%   |
| Mickelson Trail   | \$              | 90,934                                  | \$ | 104,136    | 15%  |
| Bear Butte        |                 | 28,099                                  | \$ | 30,019     | 7%   |
| DISTRICT 14       | \$<br><b>\$</b> | 119,033                                 | \$ | 134,155    | 13%  |
| Shadehill         | \$              | 176,594                                 | \$ | 208,901    | 18%  |
| Llewellyn Johns   | \$              | 4,943                                   | \$ | 6,192      | 25%  |
| Rocky Point       | \$              | 133,074                                 | \$ | 147,637    | 11%  |
| DISTRICT 15       | \$              | 314,611                                 | \$ | 362,731    | 15%  |
| Custer            | \$              | 4,677,832                               | \$ | 4,959,477  | 6%   |
| DISTRICT 16       | \$              | 4,677,832                               | \$ | 4,959,477  | 6%   |
| Angostura         | \$              | 485,065                                 | \$ | 498,107    | 3%   |
| Sheps Canyon      | \$              | 40,138                                  | \$ | 52,003     | 30%  |
| DISTRICT 17       | \$              | 525,203                                 | \$ | 550,109    | 5%   |
|                   |                 |                                         | •  |            |      |
| PIERRE OFFICE     | \$              | 185,291                                 | \$ | 173,769    | -6%  |
|                   | ,               |                                         | -  |            |      |
| TOTAL:            | \$              | 12,302,473                              | \$ | 13,528,239 | 10%  |
|                   | -               | ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, | ,  |            |      |

|     |                 | October<br>2013                           | 2014 YTD 0          | CAMPING ( | JNIT ( | COMPARISON BY DI  | STRICT<br>2013 | 2014                      |       |
|-----|-----------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|--------|-------------------|----------------|---------------------------|-------|
| Dis | Park            | Units                                     | Units               | %         | Dist   | Park              | Units          | Units                     | %     |
| 1   | Fort Sisseton   | 1,362                                     | 1,681               | 23%       | 9      | Lewis & Clark     | 36,634         | 38,267                    | 4%    |
|     | Roy Lake        | 5,732                                     | 5,972               | 4%        |        | Tabor             | 71             | 128                       | 80%   |
|     | Sica Hollow     | 181                                       | 174                 | -4%       |        | Sand Creek        | 97             | 183                       | 89%   |
|     |                 | 7,275                                     | 7,827               | 8%        |        | Springfield       | 1,078          | 1,056                     | -2%   |
|     |                 | 1,00                                      |                     |           |        | Chief White Crane | 9,511          | 9,734                     | 2%    |
| 2   | Richmond Lake   | 1,566                                     | 1,602               | 2%        |        | Pierson Ranch     | 4,481          | 3,938                     | -12%  |
|     | Mina Lake       | 2,485                                     | 2,624               | 6%        |        |                   | 51,872         | 53,306                    | 3%    |
|     | Lake Louise     | 1,878                                     | 1,649               | -12%      |        |                   | 01,072         | 00,000                    | 0 70  |
|     | Fisher Grove    | 662                                       | 965                 | 46%       | 10     | North Point       | 8,327          | 8,912                     | 7%    |
|     | Amsden          | 341                                       | 314                 | -8%       | 10     | North Wheeler     | 475            | 617                       | 30%   |
|     | 7 111104011     | 6,932                                     | 7,154               | 3%        |        | Pease Creek       | 1,321          | 1,421                     | 8%    |
|     |                 | 0,002                                     | 7,104               | 0 70      |        | Randall Creek     | 6,320          | 6,440                     | 2%    |
| 3   | Sandy Shore     | 950                                       | 1,098               | 16%       |        | South Shore       | 306            | 290                       | -5%   |
| 0   | Hartford Beach  | 4,122                                     | 4,654               | 13%       |        | Whetstone Bay     | 517            | 515                       | 0%    |
|     | Lake Cochrane   | 1,713                                     | 1,832               | 7%        |        | White Swan        | 93             | 260                       |       |
|     | Pelican South   | 4,069                                     | 4,304               | 6%        |        | Wille Swall       |                |                           | 180%  |
|     | Pickerel Lake   | 5,899                                     | 5,867               | -1%       |        |                   | 17,359         | 18,455                    | 6%    |
|     |                 | 16,753                                    | 17,755              | 6%        | 11     | Farm Island       | 6,126          | 6,583                     | 7%    |
|     |                 |                                           |                     |           |        | West Bend         | 6,734          | 7,341                     | 9%    |
| 4   | Oakwood Lakes   | 7,657                                     | 7,698               | 1%        |        | ×. •              | 12,860         | 13,924                    | 8%    |
|     | Lake Poinsett   | 6,307                                     | 6,699               | 6%        |        |                   |                | 30 330 4 35 600 - 36 630) |       |
|     | Lake Thompson   | 6,162                                     | 6,606               | 7%        | 12     | Oahe Downstream   | 12,280         | 12,405                    | 1%    |
|     |                 | 20,126                                    | 21,003              | 4%        |        | Cow Creek         | 2,579          | 2,346                     | -9%   |
|     |                 |                                           |                     |           |        | Okobojo Point     | 975            | 1,052                     | 8%    |
| 5   | Lake Herman     | 5,251                                     | 5,297               | 1%        |        |                   | 15,834         | 15,803                    | 0%    |
|     | Walkers Point   | 2,603                                     | 2,534               | -3%       |        |                   | ,              | ,                         | • 70  |
|     | Lake Carthage   | 637                                       | 743                 | 17%       | 13     | West Whitlock     | 4,320          | 4,124                     | -5%   |
|     | J               | 8,491                                     | 8,574               | 1%        |        | Lake Hiddenwood   | 259            | 266                       | 3%    |
|     |                 | 130000 \$10000000000000000000000000000000 | 0.000 # 0.00000 100 |           |        | East Whitlock     | 80             | 63                        | -21%  |
| 6   | Snake Creek     | 8,310                                     | 8,476               | 2%        |        | Swan Creek        | 481            | 423                       | -12%  |
|     | Platte Creek    | 1,194                                     | 1,392               | 17%       |        | Indian Creek      | 5,551          | 5,448                     | -2%   |
|     | Burke Lake      | 83                                        | 46                  | -45%      |        | Walth Bay         | 75             | 5                         | -93%  |
|     | Buryanek        | 2,282                                     | 2,358               | 3%        |        | West Pollock      | 644            | 898                       | 39%   |
|     | Daryanon        | 11,869                                    | 12,272              | 3%        |        | · ·               | 11,410         | 11,227                    | -2%   |
|     |                 | 11,000                                    | 12,212              | 070       |        |                   | 11,410         | 11,221                    | -2 /0 |
| 7   | Palisades       | 4,137                                     | 4,259               | 3%        | 14     | Bear Butte        | 1,060          | 826                       | -22%  |
|     | Lake Vermillion | 7,690                                     | 8,096               | 5%        |        |                   | 1,060          | 826                       | -22%  |
|     | Big Sioux       | 4,540                                     | 4,816               | 6%        |        |                   |                |                           |       |
|     |                 | 16,367                                    | 17,171              | 5%        | 15     | Shadehill         | 4,330          | 4,949                     | 14%   |
|     |                 |                                           |                     |           |        | Llewellyn Johns   | 314            | 352                       | 12%   |
| 8   | Newton Hills    | 9,445                                     | 9,741               | 3%        |        | Rocky Point       | 4,015          | 4,377                     | 9%    |
|     | Union Grove     | 1,400                                     | 1,482               | 6%        |        |                   | 8,659          | 9,678                     | 12%   |
|     |                 | 10,845                                    | 11,223              | 3%        |        |                   |                |                           |       |
|     |                 |                                           |                     |           | 16     | Custer            | 46,334         | 47,982                    | 4%    |
|     |                 |                                           |                     |           |        |                   | 46,334         | 47,982                    | 4%    |
|     |                 |                                           |                     |           | 17     | Angostura         | 12,748         | 13,594                    | 7%    |
|     |                 |                                           |                     |           |        | Sheps Canyon      | 934            | 1,235                     | 32%   |
|     |                 |                                           |                     |           | TOT    | AL FEE AREA       | 13,682         | 14,829                    | 8%    |
|     |                 |                                           |                     |           |        | IPER UNITS        | 277,728        | 289,009                   | 4%    |
|     |                 |                                           |                     |           | CAIV   | II LI UNITO       | 211,120        | 209,009                   | 4 70  |

# Property line concerns spark meeting in Mobridge

By Scott Waltman swaltman@aberdeennews.com | Posted: Friday, October 24, 2014 2:00 am

State Game, Fish and Parks officials are working to clarify confusion about a property line separating state and private land on the northwestern edge of Mobridge.

The uncertainty led to a meeting about the property line this week in the Walworth County seat.

Shawn Blanchette, concessions manager with state GFP, said the biggest problem involves private residents mowing the state land. But, he said, there has also been a question raised about whether one patio minimally encroaches onto public land.

Those who mowed the state land had no ill intent, he said, but doing such work on GFP land is prohibited.

Blanchette said no formal action was taken or resolutions were made at the meeting. Its intent was to be informational and for the state to better explain where the jagged property line runs, he said.

The land used to belong to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, but title has since been transferred to the GFP along with land on the shores of other reservoirs in South Dakota, Blanchette said. The Mobridge-area property discussed at the meeting includes 12 lots near the Pheasant Drive Inn, he said, and local residents had a chance to talk about the history of the property.

The posts that indicated where the property line runs were removed and likely added to the confusion for landowners, Blanchette said. He said a survey has since been done to eliminate that problem.

Residents shouldn't mow or attempt to maintain public land, which has sometimes been a problem in the area, he said. Folks who think they need to, must contact the state because that work is contingent on getting a permit. Any further resolution, if needed, won't likely come before spring, he said. The mowing season is wrapping up, he said.

"We agreed to discuss it further," Blanchette said.

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### **Action Items**

### None

<u>Information Items</u>: The following proposed acquisition has been advertised for public input as per SDCL 41-4-1.1, and will be brought to the GFP Commission for final action at the December 2014 meeting.

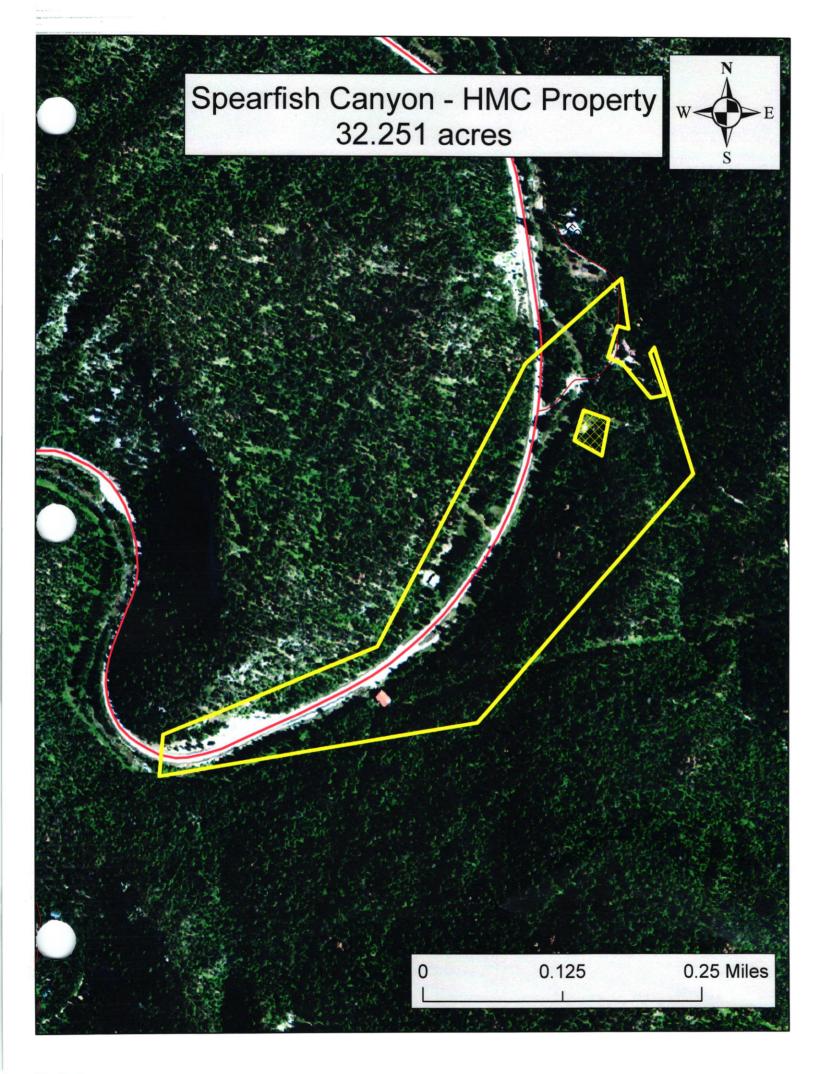
### Spearfish Canyon HMC (Hydro #2) Property

Location: Lawrence County Description: 32.251 acres

**Management Objective**: Game Production Area and fishing access **Cost**: \$420,000.00. Funding is through a Wildlife & Sport Fish Restoration

(P-R) grant.

Expected Closing: December 2014



# **License Sales Totals**



(as of October 27)

date updated: October 27, 2014

| date updated: October 27, 2014         | 2013    | 2014    | % Change |
|----------------------------------------|---------|---------|----------|
| Resident Predator/Varmint              | 1426    | 1,359   | -4.7%    |
| Furbearer                              | 3,321   | 3,078   | -7.3%    |
| Combination                            | 45,323  | 44,558  | -1.7%    |
| Junior Combination                     | 7,805   | 7,928   | 1.6%     |
| Senior Combination                     | 6,421   | 6,745   | 5.0%     |
| Resident Small Game                    | 16,967  | 19,557  | 15.3%    |
| Resident Youth Small Game              | 4,405   | 4,703   | 6.8%     |
| Resident 1-Day Small Game              | 480     | 569     | 18.5%    |
| Resident 1-Day Fishing                 | 6,442   | 6,514   | 1.1%     |
| Resident Annual Fishing                | 65,424  | 64,984  | -0.7%    |
| Senior Fishing                         | 12,526  | 12,867  | 2.7%     |
| Resident Gamefish Spearing/Archery     | 2,554   | 2,758   | 8.0%     |
| Resident Migratory Bird Certificate    | 29,402  | 30,396  | 3.4%     |
| Nonresident Predator/Varmint           | 4,833   | 3,841   | -20.5%   |
| Nonresident Furbearer                  | 11      | 6       | -45.5%   |
| Nonresident Small Game                 | 42,779  | 43,281  | 1.2%     |
| Nonresident Youth Small Game           | 1,425   | 1,367   | -4.1%    |
| Nonresident Annual Shooting Preserve   | 263     | 247     | -6.1%    |
| Nonresident 5-day Shooting Preserve    | 6,129   | 6,385   | 4.2%     |
| Nonresident 1-day Shooting Preserve    | 621     | 620     | -0.2%    |
| Nonresident Spring Light Goose         | 4,215   | 4,572   | 8.5%     |
| Nonresident Youth Spring Light Goose   | 131     | 165     | 26.0%    |
| Nonresident Migratory Bird Certificate | 948     | 1,155   | 21.8%    |
| Nonresident 1-Day Fishing              | 20,952  | 21,880  | 4.4%     |
| Nonresident 3-Day Fishing              | 23,558  | 23,240  | -1.3%    |
| Nonresident Annual Fishing             | 22,230  | 24,904  | 12.0%    |
| Nonresident Family Fishing             | 8,472   | 8,997   | 6.2%     |
| Nonresident Youth Annual Fishing       | 1,259   | 1,485   | 18.0%    |
| Nonresident Gamefish Spearing/Archery  | 541     | 672     | 24.2%    |
| TOTAL ON FILE =                        | 340,863 | 348,833 | 2.3%     |

## Draft Schedule for Commission Discussion

|         | 2015                                                                    | 2016                                        | 2017                                        | 2018                              | 2019                                              |        |
|---------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------|
| ANUARY  | Hunting Season Dates I<br>Public Lands<br>Public Waters<br>Special Buck |                                             | Public Lands<br>Public Waters               |                                   | Hunting Season D<br>Public Lands<br>Public Waters | ates   |
|         | Refuges                                                                 |                                             |                                             | Refuges                           |                                                   |        |
| MARCH   | CSP Bison                                                               | CSP Bison                                   | ,                                           | CSP Bison                         |                                                   |        |
|         | CSP Elk                                                                 | CSP Elk                                     |                                             | CSP Elk                           |                                                   |        |
|         |                                                                         | Archery Elk                                 |                                             | Archery Elk                       |                                                   |        |
|         | Black Hills Elk                                                         | Black Hills Elk                             |                                             | Black Hills Elk                   |                                                   |        |
|         | Prairie Elk                                                             | Prairie Elk                                 |                                             | Prairie Elk                       |                                                   |        |
|         | Mountain Goat                                                           |                                             | Mountain Goat                               |                                   | Mountain Goat                                     |        |
| APRIL   | Nonresident Waterfowl                                                   | Nonresident Waterfowl                       | Nonresident Waterfowl                       | Nonresident Waterfowl             | Nonresident Wate                                  | erfowl |
|         | Special Canada Goose                                                    |                                             |                                             | Special Canada Goose              |                                                   |        |
|         | Tundra Swan                                                             |                                             |                                             | Tundra Swan                       |                                                   |        |
|         | August Management Take                                                  | )                                           |                                             | August Management Take            | е                                                 |        |
|         | Grouse                                                                  |                                             |                                             | Grouse                            |                                                   |        |
|         | Pheasant                                                                |                                             |                                             | Pheasant                          |                                                   |        |
|         | Partridge                                                               |                                             |                                             | Partridge                         |                                                   |        |
|         | Quail                                                                   |                                             |                                             | Quail                             |                                                   |        |
|         | Cottontail Rabbit                                                       |                                             |                                             | Cottontail Rabbit                 |                                                   |        |
|         | Squirrel                                                                |                                             |                                             | Squirrel                          |                                                   |        |
|         | Crow/Crane/Snipe*                                                       |                                             |                                             |                                   |                                                   |        |
|         | Mourning Dove*                                                          |                                             |                                             |                                   |                                                   |        |
| MAY     | CSP Deer                                                                | CSP Deer                                    |                                             | CSP Deer                          |                                                   |        |
| WAI     | East River Deer                                                         | East River Deer                             |                                             | East River Deer                   |                                                   |        |
|         | West River Deer                                                         | West River Deer                             |                                             | West River Deer                   |                                                   |        |
|         | Black Hills Deer                                                        | Black Hills Deer                            |                                             | Black Hills Deer                  |                                                   |        |
|         | Refuge Deer                                                             | Refuge Deer                                 |                                             | Refuge Deer                       |                                                   |        |
|         | Archery Deer                                                            | Archery Deer                                |                                             | Archery Deer                      |                                                   |        |
|         | Muzzleloader Deer                                                       | Muzzleloader Deer                           |                                             | Muzzleloader Deer                 |                                                   |        |
|         | Youth Deer                                                              | Youth Deer                                  |                                             | Youth Deer                        | E. O. T. Island                                   |        |
|         | Fall Turkey                                                             |                                             | Fall Turkey                                 |                                   | Fall Turkey                                       | :      |
|         | Furbearer/Trapping                                                      |                                             | Furbearer/Trapping                          |                                   | Furbearer/Trappi                                  | ing    |
| JUNE    | Antelope                                                                |                                             | Antelope                                    |                                   | Antelope                                          |        |
|         | Archery Antelope                                                        |                                             | Archery Antelope                            |                                   | Archery Antelope                                  | 3      |
|         | CSP Antelope                                                            |                                             | CSP Antelope                                |                                   | CSP Antelope<br>Sage Grouse                       |        |
|         | Sage Grouse                                                             |                                             | Sage Grouse                                 | and the same                      | Waterfowl                                         |        |
|         | 100                                                                     | Waterfowl                                   | Waterfowl                                   | Waterfowl                         | Wateriowi                                         |        |
|         | Depredation Hunts                                                       |                                             |                                             | Depredation Hunts                 |                                                   |        |
|         | Youth Waterfowl                                                         |                                             |                                             | Youth Waterfowl                   | •                                                 |        |
|         | Early Fall Canada Goose                                                 | )                                           |                                             | Early Fall Canada Goose           | •                                                 |        |
|         |                                                                         |                                             |                                             | Crow/Crane/Snipe<br>Mourning Dove |                                                   |        |
| JULY    | Waterfowl*                                                              |                                             |                                             |                                   |                                                   |        |
| AUGUST  | Mountain Lion                                                           | 100                                         | Mountain Lion                               |                                   | Mountain Lion                                     |        |
|         | Bobcat                                                                  |                                             | Bobcat                                      |                                   | Bobcat                                            |        |
|         | Fishing Regulations                                                     | Fishing Regulations                         |                                             | Fishing Regulations               | Bait Fish                                         |        |
|         | Bait Fish                                                               | Bait Fish                                   |                                             |                                   | Private Fish Ha                                   | atche  |
|         | Private Fish Hatcheries Fish Importation                                | Private Fish Hatcheries<br>Fish Importation |                                             |                                   | Fish Importation                                  |        |
|         |                                                                         | •                                           | Carina Turkan                               |                                   | Spring Turkey                                     |        |
| OCTOBER |                                                                         |                                             | Spring Turkey (Archen                       | ٨                                 | Spring Turkey (/                                  | Arche  |
|         | Spring Turkey (Archery)                                                 |                                             | Spring Turkey (Archery<br>CSP Spring Turkey | "                                 | CSP Spring Tur                                    |        |
|         | CSP Spring Turkey                                                       |                                             | ool opining runkey                          | Spring Light Goose                |                                                   | -      |
|         | Spring Light Goose                                                      |                                             |                                             | - J g g                           |                                                   |        |

**DECEMBER** Bighorn Sheep

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# 2014 SCHEDULE FOR SETTING SEASONS/REGULATIONS

| DATE                         | LOCATION                      | SEASON                          | PROPOSE                                 | FINALIZE |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------|
| January 9-10                 | Ft. Pierre                    | Special Buck                    | January                                 | March    |
|                              | Holiday Inn                   | Public Lands                    |                                         |          |
|                              | Express                       | Public Waters                   |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Refuges                         |                                         |          |
| February                     |                               | NO MEETING                      | 2.5.500                                 |          |
| March 6-7                    | Ft. Pierre                    | Hunting Season Dates            | March                                   | April    |
|                              | Holiday Inn                   | CSP Bison                       |                                         |          |
|                              | Express                       | CSP Elk (multiple seasons)      |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Archery Elk                     |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Black Hills Elk                 |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Prairie Elk                     |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Mountain Goat                   |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Grouse                          |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Pheasant (three seasons)        |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Partridge                       |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Quail                           |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Cottontail                      |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Squirrel                        |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Crow & Crane                    |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Snipe & Dove                    |                                         |          |
| April 3-4                    | Oacoma                        | Nonresident Waterfowl           | April                                   | May      |
| Tiplii O                     | Cedar Shores                  | Special Canada Goose            |                                         | 100      |
|                              | Resort                        | Tundra Swan                     |                                         |          |
| May 1-2                      | CSP                           | CSP Deer                        | May                                     | June     |
| ,                            | Sylvan Lake                   | East River Deer                 |                                         |          |
|                              | Lodge                         | West River Deer                 |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Black Hills Deer                |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Refuge Deer                     |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Archery Antelope                |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Archery Deer                    |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Muzzleloader Deer               |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Youth Deer                      |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Fall Turkey                     |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Furbearers/Trapping _           |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | August Management Take          | 1                                       | l late   |
| June 5-6                     | Yankton                       | Antelope                        | June                                    | July     |
|                              | Lewis & Clark                 | CSP Antelope                    | 100000                                  |          |
| forms and                    | Resort                        | Early Fall Canada Goose         | 100 Sept. 19                            |          |
|                              | 46701                         | Youth Waterfowl                 |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Sage Grouse                     | linke                                   | August   |
| July 9                       | Ft. Pierre                    | Waterfowl                       | July                                    | August   |
|                              | Holiday Inn                   | Depredation Hunts               |                                         |          |
|                              | Express                       |                                 |                                         | October  |
| August 7-8                   | Ft. Pierre                    |                                 | August                                  | October  |
|                              | Holiday Inn                   | Mountain Lion                   | 100000000000000000000000000000000000000 |          |
|                              | Express                       | *Bobcat                         |                                         |          |
| September                    |                               | NO MEETING                      |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | NO MEETING                      |                                         |          |
| October 2-3                  | Sturgis                       | Fishing Regulations             | October                                 | November |
| 0000000                      | Convention                    | Bait Fish                       |                                         |          |
|                              | Center                        | Private Fish Hatcheries         |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | Fish Importation                |                                         |          |
|                              |                               | *Spring Turkey (archery turkey) |                                         |          |
|                              | 200                           | *CSP Spring Turkey              | 100000000000000000000000000000000000000 |          |
|                              |                               | *Spring Light Goose             |                                         |          |
|                              | Sioux Falls                   |                                 | November                                | December |
| November 6-7                 |                               | NO PROPOSALS                    | 1                                       | 1        |
| November 6-7                 | Ramada                        | NOFROFOSALS                     | l .                                     |          |
|                              |                               | NO FROF OSALS                   |                                         |          |
| November 6-7  December 11-12 | Ramada Ft. Pierre Holiday Inn | Bighorn Sheep                   | December                                | January  |

<sup>\*</sup>Denotes a change in schedule from last year.